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## Begin hopes to forestall S.-Egyptian front

**By MALKA MASHINOWITZ**  
Senior Post Correspondent  
NGTON. — Prime Minister Menachem Begin hopes to forestall an Egyptian negotiating front when he meets President Carter this morning. The focus will be on a draft peace agreement that the Premier has brought

arrived last night by U.S. plane from New York. Begin officials have expressed over pressures on him to move at too rapid a pace, but the enthusiasm to bolster standing in the Arab world.

Begin's view was Carter's to newsmen yesterday that would not have come to him "without something in the terms along which

these negotiations should proceed, particularly in relation to the West Bank, that Begin hopes to narrow differences with the U.S. administration.

Underlying the talks is the attempt to assess the minimum positions, in terms of Begin's credibility in the Arab world, that would be embodied in even an interim accord with Egypt.

Begin will meet with President Carter for three hours this morning starting with breakfast. If there should be need for further talks, Carter said yesterday he would be prepared to rearrange his schedule to accommodate the Premier.

American journalists here have been asking the White House why Begin sought a meeting with the President, since he conferred with Secretary of State Cyrus Vance in Jerusalem only last Saturday night.

In conversation with newsmen yesterday after his press conference, Carter dismissed all speculation that this could be seen as a step at Vance, saying that it was natural for heads of state to seek to confer directly.

Vance is returning from his (Continued on page 2, col. 4)

## Sadat, Begin to hold second meeting soon

**By ASHER WALLFISH**  
Post Diplomatic Correspondent  
Premier Menachem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat will hold their second meeting in a week or two, an official source confirmed in Jerusalem last night.

The two leaders have already fixed the place and the date, the source said, but if these are leaked out, a new venue will be determined and perhaps a new date as well, for security reasons.

The source said that Begin and Sadat had agreed that they would meet a second time during the Egyptian leader's visit to Jerusalem last month. Subsequently, they established contact with each other on a number of occasions. The details of the second meeting were fixed in one such contact.

Likely locations for the Israel-Egyptian summit could be Cyprus, Cairo and Sinai. The most that official sources would say was that Begin and Sadat would meet "in the Middle East."

Rumours that the two would meet in Washington during the course of Begin's present visit there were discounted in Jerusalem and in Cairo. However, the meeting may perhaps take place while Begin is en route home next week.

Begin is due to leave Washington on Monday night. He will make a short stopover in London on Tuesday morning to brief Prime Minister James Callaghan on his meeting with President Jimmy Carter, his planned conversation with Sadat, and the progress of the Cairo peace conference.

Rumours about Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan leaving for a secret meeting connected with Sadat's peace initiative subsided somewhat yesterday. Dayan was in his office as usual during working hours.

Observers said that contacts between Begin and Sadat were such that Dayan was not required as a go-between at the present time although there was no doubt that Begin had incorporated much of Dayan's thinking in the ideas about a West Bank solution, which Begin is presenting today to Carter, and would present to Sadat at their summit meeting.

The observers said that Begin also found Dayan invaluable for doing the delicate diplomatic leg-work in such matters as the working paper for the Geneva conference which the Foreign Minister drafted in Washington in the autumn with U.S. leaders.

However, once Begin picked up the ball which Sadat tossed into his court, he preferred to keep the main play to himself, as the ultimate political authority in Israel.

The agreement between Begin and Sadat was that the Cairo talks would be fuelled by top-level contacts between them from time to time. In these contacts, most of the ideas were due to come from Israel, and it was only logical that the man to present them, argue the justice of them, and be capable of shaping them further on the spot in the course of a frank dialogue, was the Premier himself.

Observers said that Dayan has been in a testy mood around Jerusalem ever since Sadat's initiative was launched. Whether or not this can be linked to the fact that Begin is both Premier and Foreign Minister, to all intents and purposes, is a matter for speculation.

Dayan's mood, at any rate, has generated tension inside his ministry which has not been otherwise explained.

## Sadat named 'Time' 'Man of the Year'

CAIRO. — Anwar Sadat, who has been chosen as "Man of the Year" by "Time" magazine yesterday, agreed to a rare, special picture-taking session at the foot of the pyramids and the sphinx.

After long negotiations conducted by Time's top editors, Sadat agreed to pose for special assignments

# 'Progress' in Cairo but talks recess without agreed agenda

## Jurists to stay in session

**By ANAN SAFADI**  
POST Mideast Affairs Editor  
CAIRO. — Both Israel and Egypt yesterday declared that they had made "progress" at the Cairo Conference's first working session held yesterday in the Hubsayat Room of the Mena House Hotel here. An American participant attested to "encouraging progress."

However, the only concrete and visible sign of movement made before the conference adjourned yesterday for a three-day weekend recess, was the decision to set up a committee of legal experts to continue working through the weekend on the still unagreed agenda for peace talks.

The committee, comprising two Egyptians and one Israeli, held its first session last night and is expected to continue meeting through Sunday and submit a draft agenda to the plenary session scheduled for 11 o'clock on Monday morning. Dr. Meir Rosenne, number two man in the Israeli delegation and legal adviser to the Foreign Ministry, will represent Israel on the committee, and Drs. Nabil El-Arabi and Raouf El-Ridi, both of the Egyptian Foreign Ministry, will represent Egypt.

The spokesman for the Egyptian Delegation, Dr. Morsi Saad Eddin, claimed that the conference has in fact begun to move towards the discussion of the substantive issues "linked to a comprehensive settlement" of the Israel-Arab conflict.

Saad Eddin declined, however, to say where the progress was made — as did the spokesman of the Israeli Delegation, Dan Fattir.

Feeling here is that the two sides were being flexible and that they were considering various ways of closing the gap separating their positions on the definition of topics in dispute.

Fattir cautioned newsmen not to prejudice the conference, advising "patience." He was reacting to suggestions in the press that the conference was stalling, pending the outcome of Premier Menachem Begin's talks today in Washington.

He said that Begin's snap decision to confer with President Carter could only help the Cairo delegates in their search for peace.

Egypt's chief delegate at the conference, Dr. Esmat Abdul-Maguid, is due to go to the presidential palace this evening for briefings on Begin's talks in Washington and U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance's report to President Carter on his just concluded Middle East tour.

Frederick reports reaching here said that Saudi Arabia has pledged to press both Jordan and Syria into supporting the Cairo Conference — provided that it tackles the basic question of an overall Middle East settlement entailing an Israeli withdrawal to the 1967 frontiers and the promotion of Palestinian autonomy in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip — as well as "Arab sovereignty" in East Jerusalem.

At the end of the first week of negotiations, the situation in Cairo can be summed up as follows:

- Egyptians and Israelis were conducting their first formal peace negotiations in 28 years in an extremely cordial atmosphere.
- Serious differences still prevailed on procedure, much of which is indeed substance.
- The conference has been overshadowed by Begin's trip to Washington, and there is a good deal of speculation here over the Premier's mission.
- There is near-certainty that as soon as some progress is registered at the conference, the peace negotiations will be raised to foreign minister level.

## Procedural impasse threatens talks

**By DAVID LANDAU**  
Post Diplomatic Correspondent

CAIRO. — It would be the height of irony if the Cairo Conference were to run into trouble over the "U.S.-Israel working paper." For it was that working paper, delineating procedures for the Conference, which partly prompted President Sadat to launch his initiative, visit Jerusalem, and call his own conference in Cairo. He did all this, as he himself has often said, to cut through procedural formalities and get on to the substantive negotiations.

And yet there seems to be a danger here in Cairo that this ostensibly "informal" conference is running into just the sort of procedural impasse that Sadat felt was threatened by the U.S. working paper.

Much will depend on whether the

three legal experts, two veteran Egyptian jurists and Israel's Dr. Meir Rosenne, are able over the weekend to devise a draft agenda for this conference that is sufficiently vague and ambivalent to be acceptable to both sides.

The central problem, as reported in the late edition of *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday, is how to discuss the Palestinian issue here — or rather, how to bill it as a topic for discussion (for it is clear to all that no really substantive discussion of the border question will take place at this forum).

Egypt, sharply mindful of its all-Arab commitments and of the hostility with which the hardline Arab states have received this conference, is determined to introduce the Palestinian question high on the agenda, or "list of topics for discussion" as it is now being called.

Israel's argument, presented by Rosenne to the battery of top-notch international lawyers that comprises the Egyptian backup team, is that the Cairo Conference has been designated by Egypt "and that preparatory for Geneva" and that the groundrules for Geneva are UN Security Council Resolutions 242 and 338 — and the U.S.-Israel working paper.

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## Cost of living up 11.8% — steepest in history

**By SHLOMO MAOZ**  
Post Economic Reporter

The consumer price index — the cost of living — jumped by 11.8 per cent in November, the steepest monthly rise in Israel's history, according to the Central Bureau of Statistics.

November was the first month to reflect the government's new economic programme, which went into effect late in October.

The C-o-L index has risen by almost 40 per cent since last January. Half of the rise — 20.6 per cent — came from January to September; the second half of the price rise came in the last two months.

Some indications about what the

future has in store for Israelis can be found in the rise of the wholesale price index, which rose by 17.9 per cent in November and has climbed by almost 48 per cent since January. There is a correlation between the C-o-L and the wholesale price index, with the latter generally preceding the former by some two months. Further price increases can (Continued on page 2, col. 2)

## Carter: Will tell Begin his offer falls short

TON (JTA). — President Carter yesterday said he does not think Premier Menachem Begin to him at their scheduled session this morning at the White House. But, he said, he has "no intention" to tell privately whether his should Begin offer them, "right direction" or "fall of what Egyptian President Sadat 'could accept'."

He said that he would ultimately judge of whether the Egyptian offer was acceptable. That would be up to Sadat.

He said that "if Egypt and Israel press the Palestinian question, can be no move toward peace in the Middle

East was asked whether it that "if an agreement or informal, even a tiny takes place between Egypt, that you have de-

ne in the Middle East," and he thought "it may have to be" as a result of Syrian

opposition. Immediate hope and goal is peace moves made by Egypt would be acceptable moderate Arab leaders

side East, certainly King Hussein of Jordan, certainly the Saudi Arabians. We have good in-

dications in my personal visits with President Assad of Syria that Assad wants to resolve the difference. Lebanon is heavily influenced, as you know, by the Syrian presence there. The PLO has been completely negative. They have not been cooperative at all."

"In spite of my own indirect invitations to them, and the direct invitations by Sadat and by Assad, by (Continued on page 2, col. 4)

## U.S. official says Israel softening on West Bank

LONDON (Reuters). — A "senior U.S. official" said yesterday that Israel was rethinking its attitude on the West Bank in a move which could transform prospects for a Middle East peace settlement.

The official, speaking as U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance stopped here on his way home from a six-nation tour of the Middle East, told reporters that Israel is showing new flexibility.

An official Egyptian spokesman said that if the report was true, "then it is very promising and will give the Cairo meeting more significance."

Vance was due to report to President Carter on his tour on the eve of Carter's meeting in Washington today with Prime Minister Menachem Begin.

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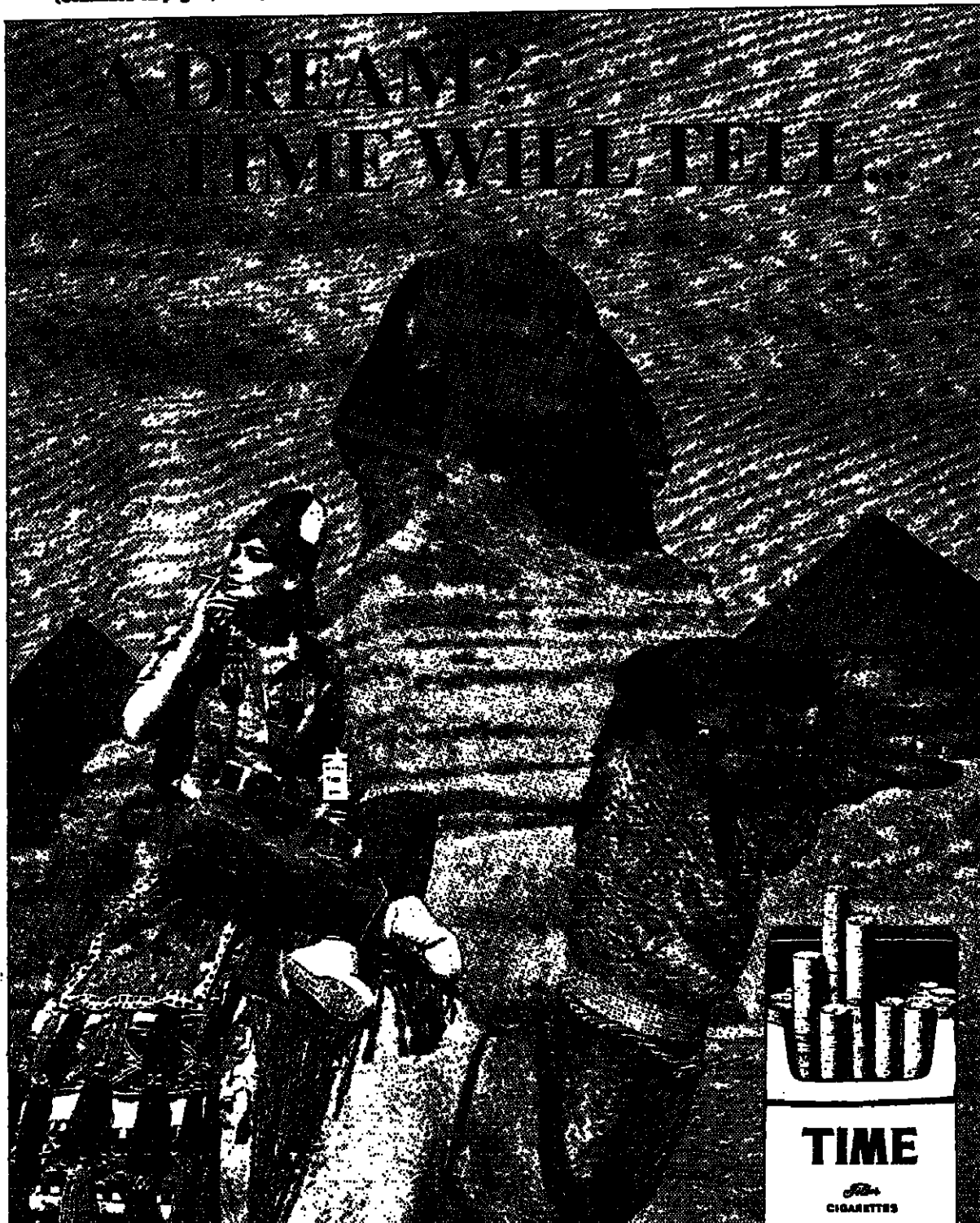
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**THE WEATHER**

Forecast: Rain will continue but with less intensity and longer intervals.  
Outlook for Shabbat: Rains likely to return after short lull.

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Jerusalem	12	15
Golan	10	12
Nahariya	10	12
Safed	10	12
Haifa Port	10	12
Tiberias	10	12
Nasrith	10	12
Afula	10	12
Shomron	10	12
Tel Aviv	10	12
B-G Airport	10	12
Jericho	10	12
Gaza	10	12
Beersheba	10	12
Eilat	10	12
Tiran Straits	10	12

**SOCIAL & PERSONAL**

President Ephraim Katzir yesterday received the president of the Beth Shalom Christian movement, Wim Malgo, who was accompanied by Dr. Israel Klein, the director of Asaf Haroche hospital. The president also received the director of the International Federation of Agricultural Producers, led by Tony Dechant.

Nepalese Ambassador Trallorya Nath Uprety yesterday called on Knesset Speaker Yitzhak Shamir.

Rahel Dayan, wife of Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan, was guest of honor at a reception given on Tuesday by world vice president Raya Jaglom at her Tel Aviv home. Wives of all resident ambassadors to Israel were present to discuss their participation in the international Wico bazaar to be held in May 1978 in Tel Aviv on the occasion of the 80th anniversary of the State of Israel.

Joseph Komkommer, president of Keren Hayesod-United Israel Appeal in Antwerp, and Mrs. Komkommer were guests of honor last night at a dinner at Beit Shalom in Jerusalem, given by S.J. Krautner, director-general of Keren Hayesod-UIA.

Deputy Finance Minister Yehoshua Pines will speak on the new economic policy, at the Haifa Engineers' Club, at 1 p.m. today.

An Oneg Shabbat in English will be held at 8.30 tonight at Hechal Shlomo in Jerusalem. Speakers will be Rabbi Moshe Rose, and Moshe Aumann of the Foreign Ministry. Cantor Arye Goldberg will lead the singing of Zmot. A Melave Malka will be held tomorrow at the same place at 8.30 p.m. with Isaac Ben-Yaacov as guest speaker. Cantor Yehuda Lander will give a recital. The public is invited to both occasions. (Communicated)

An Oneg Shabbat will be held at 8.30 p.m. tonight, at Dvud Shiva Zion, 88 Rehov Ben Yehuda, Tel Aviv. Tourists are invited to meet Rabbi Yehuda Ansbacher.

Professor Yirmiyahu Branover will speak on "Russian Aliya - Physical and Spiritual" at a regional conference of the Jerusalem Council of English Speaking Chapters of Eimuna on Sunday, December 18. (Communicated)

**ARRIVALS**

Histadrut Secretary General Yeroham Meisel, from the U.S., where he attended an AFL-CIO conference in Los Angeles.

Wolf Bittner, Washington correspondent for The Jerusalem Post, from Cairo, for a brief visit.

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On the thirtieth day after the death of our dearest  
**RUTH BEHRENS**  
(née Struck)  
a memorial service and tombstone unveiling will take place on Monday, December 19, 1977, at 2.30 p.m., at the new cemetery, Kiryat Samir, Haifa.  
Those who cherish her memory will meet at the gate of the cemetery.

The Bereaved:  
Her husband, daughter, son-in-law,  
Her sister, brother, grandchildren,  
All members of the family and her friends.

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**ERNA WETZLER**  
(née Ullmann)  
is no more.  
In the name of the family  
Edith-Gerhard Auerbach  
The funeral has already taken place.

**Second attack within week on patrol along border**

By HIRSH GOODMAN  
Post Military Correspondent

An Israeli patrol along the Lebanese border was attacked yesterday for the second time in the past few days.

There were no casualties or damage in yesterday's attack, early in the morning near Kibbutz Yiftah. However, it is being regarded with utmost seriousness by the military here.

Sources yesterday said that the two attacks — which came after a month of total quiet — coupled with increased terrorist action against Lebanese villagers in southern Lebanon, might indicate a violent protest by the terrorists against Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's peace initiative.

Analysts here had predicted earlier this week the probability of increased terrorist activity from across the border as a result of the rejection of Sadat's move by both the terrorists and the Syrians. It was their assumption, however, that the attacks would be controlled by the Syrians at a "low boiling point" until the Syrians decide finally to reject the current peace moves. At present, while vocally disapproving of Sadat, the Syrians have refrained from any drastic sanctions against Egypt. The Syrians have refused to ally themselves with the radical approach propounded by Libya, Iraq and the Palestine Liberation Organization at a Tripoli conference.

Israel has contained its response to the two attacks, countering with light arms fire and limited artillery at the suspected retreat route of the terrorists. It is believed that as long as population centres are not hit, Israel will not again resort to a response similar to November 9, when Israeli planes bombed Lebanese villages housing suspected terrorist concentrations, leaving a heavy casualty toll.

Officers last night reported a dual watch on developments, both along the border and in southern Lebanon itself, where exchanges of fire between terrorists and Lebanese forces have been increasing. There are indications that tension is growing between various factions of the Lebanese forces in the south — some of the villages are against the resumption of fighting, while others claim new fighting is necessary to prevent further terrorist entrenchment. This tension, it was pointed out, could be exploited by the terrorists to undermine the unity of opposition to them in the south.

Meanwhile, it was reported that two schoolgirls were injured when six shells crashed into the leftist stronghold of Nabatieh. Travellers from the area said the shells were fired from the rightist-held village of Klaya, on the eastern sector of the front.

The travellers claimed some villages in the southern part of the central sector came under Israeli shelling for about 25 minutes yesterday, but only material damage was reported.

**Only limited arms orders seen in talks with Ecuador minister**

By HIRSH GOODMAN  
Post Military Correspondent

Israel will be receiving only limited orders for military equipment from Ecuador. This has become apparent during the visit here by Ecuador Defence Minister Andres Arrata Macias.

Last year Israel signed a contract to sell 24 Kfir jet fighters to Ecuador — a sale which was promptly vetoed by the U.S. Government, which refused to allow Israel to re-export the American J-79 engine which powers the plane.

According to "Aviation Week," Israeli attempts to convince Ecuador to take an older model of the Kfir — the Nesher, which is basically a Mirage III with a Mirage V engine — failed, and last month it was officially reported that Ecuador had opted to purchase 18 Mirage F-1 and Jaguar attack aircraft to replace the vetoed Kfirs.

Yesterday Macias and his Chief of Staff, General Raul Cabrera Sevilla Pelmo, met with Defence Minister Ezer Weizman, deputy minister Moshech Zippori, O.C. Air Force Ahuf David Ivri, as well as the heads

of Israel's various military industries and several senior officers. Despite the fact that Ecuador will not be buying the Israeli "Scorpion" systems, such as planes and missile boats, there was some optimism in defence circles yesterday that orders will be placed for other hardware — specifically high technology systems which are specific to the Israeli military industries.

In an after dinner speech, Macias, who is here as a guest of the Defence Ministry, said that he was impressed by the level of technology he had seen in Israel. He presented Weizman with a book on Ecuadorian culture, while both he and his Chief of Staff received ornate Bibles from their Israeli hosts.

Replying to Macias, Weizman said in reference to the peace prospects with Egypt: "There was a time when army ministers and generals looked for wars. Today, we, the defence ministers and the army people are perhaps the key factor in promoting peace, because we are aware of the serious consequences of wars."

**Rain, winds sweep country**

Jerusalem Post Staff

Heavy rains driven by winds of 15 to 20 knots fell over much of the country yesterday, causing traffic tie-ups and several brief power failures: Haifa fell at short intervals in Tel Aviv, Haifa and Safed, and a number of Tel Aviv families were forced to evacuate their flooded homes.

Snow yesterday blanketed Mt. Hermon, rising up to a depth of 75cm. at the peak.

Snow is possible in the Jerusalem area early this morning, although the weather should ease up later today, with only intermittent rainfall expected. Temperatures, forecast for today are 12 in Tel Aviv, 8 in Jerusalem, 12 in Beersheba, 17 in

Eilat and 11 in Haifa.

In the 12-hour period ending at 2 p.m. yesterday, the weather bureau reported 40mm. of rain at its Beit Dagon station, 39mm. at Lod, 27mm. in Tel Aviv, 20mm. in Jerusalem, 10mm. in the Golan, 19mm. in Nahariya, 0.5mm. in Gaza and "drops" in the Sinai and Beersheba. Flooded streets, poor visibility and traffic-light failure slowed traffic in Tel Aviv, Haifa and other areas. But Jerusalem police said that despite the foul weather, there have been no serious traffic mishaps.

Farmers are reported particularly pleased by the inclement weather, and most of them would like to see it continue.

**BEGIN**

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Mideast tour today and will report to the President immediately, in preparation for the talks with Segal. UPI reports from New York Governor Hugh Carey and Mayor-elect Edward Koch said separate country calls yesterday on Begin before the Prime Minister left for Washington.

Carey said Begin told him he was looking forward to meeting with Carter. "He's on a mission — a mission of peace," said Carey.

"I complimented him on his persistence in getting face-to-face meetings with (Egyptian) President Anwar Sadat," the governor told reporters outside Begin's 88th-floor suite at the Waldorf Towers. "He has produced some great surprises and he is capable of producing more."

"What better present for the world for Christmas and Hanukka," Koch told Begin, "than hope for peace in the Middle East."

Calling Koch "a great friend of Israel," Begin said he thought the mayor-elect in some aspect faced a tougher job than Begin did as Prime Minister. "From a certain point of view, I think the debt of New York City is larger than Israel's," Begin said.

Begin also phoned UN Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim while he was in New York to discuss the Middle East situation, a spokesman said.

Begin called Waldheim in response to a letter the Secretary-General had sent to him on Wednesday. The spokesman said the discussion was "useful," but did not disclose the contents of the letter.

Israel has rejected a proposal made by Waldheim on November 29 that preliminary talks to the reconvening of the Geneva conference should continue in New York following the Cairo conference. The Arab countries have accepted Waldheim's suggestion.

**CARTER**

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King Hussein, by King Khalid of Saudi Arabia, the PLO has refused to make any moves toward a peaceful attitude. They have completely rejected United Nations Security Council resolutions 242 and 338. They have refused to make public acknowledgment that Israel has a right to exist in peace, so I think they have, themselves, removed the PLO from any immediate prospects of participation in a peace discussion.

"But I certainly would not ascribe that sort of intransigence or negative attitude toward any of the other parties who have been mentioned as possible participants. We want to be sure that at least moderate Palestinians are included in the discussions." He did not indicate whether he meant at Cairo or Geneva.

Regarding the position of the Soviet Union, Carter said that "the Soviets have been much more constructive in the Middle East than they have been in the past. They are sympathetic to the Sadat initiative, have been waiting, along with King Hussein, on the fence. The most prominent personality in this group is Anwar al-Khatib, a governor of Jerusalem under Jordanian rule."

Israeli sources believe this group may be prepared to respond to an invitation from President Sadat to

**Cairo Conference Diary/Ari Rath**  
**No U-turns on the road to peace**

CAIRO. — The road to peace is long and arduous, but already it seems irreversible. Both Egypt and Israel appear determined to make the preparatory peace conference here succeed, no matter how wide the gap and how serious the differences. The slogan of the Cairo conference, only in its second day yesterday, was "keep it upbeat."

If there are difficulties, they are there to be resolved in any way possible. Neither side will be deterred by seemingly insurmountable obstacles, for admitting deadlock would mean admitting failure at this, the first stage of the joint Israel-Egyptian peace initiative.

The Israeli and Egyptian delegations must find it rather strange, but pleasant, that for once their instructions seem to be identical — "make the conference a success" whatever differences arise, be they points of procedure, questions of agenda or even issues of real substance, they will have to be resolved. The Cairo conference must succeed.

Thus, it was decided yesterday to appoint a subcommittee of three legal experts — one Israeli and two Egyptians — to hammer out such key issues as tackling the Palestinian problem and the wording of agenda items dealing with the nature of peace and the security arrangements to follow eventual Israeli withdrawals.

Some of the most sensitive political issues Israelis have been talking about for years in abstract terms have become day-to-day political reality. Even if Cairo is being upstaged in part by Prime Minister Menachem Begin's surprise visit to Washington and persistent rumours of more secret trips by Dayan to Rabat, the talks cannot be seen as the harbinger of a new era in the Middle East.

Being an Israeli in Cairo today is the best password. No order from above could possibly account for the warm and friendly attitude displayed by all we meet, be they senior Egyptian government officials, employees of the state information service, security officials or cab drivers. It seems almost as if people had been waiting for years for just such an opening.

Reporters from Cairo's leading magazines, such as "October" and "Rose al-Yusuf" seek out Israeli journalists for interviews. One of Egypt's main centres of anti-Israel propaganda in the past, Cairo Radio's Hebrew broadcasting section, has its men all over Mena House looking for more interviews with the "new, nice and peaceful Israel."

The post office manager outside Mena House, who for years dealt only with tourists visiting the pyramids, represent the Palestinians living in the territories at a later stage in peace talks. Anonymous letters have reportedly been received by some of the group warning them against participation in such talks.

"The vast majority of people on the West Bank are enthusiastic about the Sadat initiative," said Freij. "Most are optimistic about the chances of the Cairo conference succeeding. There are some like myself who are more cautious about the chances. To be successful, it must tackle the Palestinian problem in full depth, not just scratch the surface."

Did he fear that Sadat would strike a separate deal with Israel? "Sadat is an honest man," answered Freij. "He said he is not interested in a separate agreement. But if the PLO and others continue to attack the peace process, he might say 'to hell with the Palestinians' and push their president to sign a separate treaty. This possibility is in my mind."

Freij dismissed as counter-productive pro-Sadat delegations now forming. "They're going to Cairo for a picnic," he said. "The time is not yet ripe for this sort of thing." Other observers, however, agreement. Although we are still at the beginning, both of us want to achieve progress."

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**Eating from the fleshpots of Egypt**

Jerusalem Post Correspondent  
CAIRO. — Koaher food has finally arrived at Mena House — but the Israeli negotiators are still not availing themselves of it.

The intrepid young Indian manager of the Mena House Oberoi Hotel, Hani Wadia, spent five hours late Wednesday night driving to Cairo Airport and braving the bureaucracy there to procure several large containers of Austrian Airline kosher food packages and bring it back to the refrigerators. He arrived back here at close to 2 a.m.

The Israeli spokesman here, Ze'ev Hefetz, told The Post that one or two minor officials in the party who do keep kosher had not been "eating from the fleshpots of Egypt" and had been ordering fish meals.

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literally hugs you and informs you with great joy will accept any mail going to Israel. He will even December 24 postmark on it two days later, nobody misses the historic date of the Cairo conference.

One cabdriver asked in broken English whether French or American. Upon hearing that I was an Israeli, he hugged me — hugging me — while not minding in the least that the car swerved in the street. No, he definitely would not take any more Israeli ten pound note as a souvenir was all he took. "That's worth one hundred Egyptian pounds," the driver insisted when I explained that it was worth less than 50 Egyptian piasters.

One feels compelled to ask how this sudden change of heart seems personally sincere. Proof Egyptian Government's sincerity lies in the fact taken by Mervat Eddin — a deputy minister, Egypt's information services, and official spokesman at the conference — to call home E. Press and information attaches from all over the world. They are gathering in Cairo to be briefed on the winds now blowing from the pyramids.

Yesterday the head of Sadat's chancery, Kamel, called on Eilat Ben-Eliass, head of the delegation at Mena House. They exchanged press Kamel recalled that Ben-Eliass was the first to greet him when he arrived in Israel last month to Sadat's visit.

"We have become friends since, and I reciprocate his hospitality," Kamel said. It was a small, but certainly significant gesture. Egyptian officials and journalists, who were tame enough to have accompanied Sadat to Jerusalem, when they see him in Cairo, we drive Cairo to Jerusalem. It still sounds a bit like science fiction. But things are moving so fast in fact, and there seems to be no turning back to side.

Today, we have a direct phone link from Cairo. One can in fact, often dial Tel Aviv more than one can place a local call here in Cairo. All these are small but significant symbols which add up one day to a whole new picture of peace. It still tremendous obstacles on the way — but the outcome seems inevitable.

**Arab mayor awaits sign from Cairo**

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH  
Jerusalem Post Reporter  
Bethlehem Mayor Elias Freij will not be looking for a bright star in the east this Christmas season. He is looking to the southwest for a green light from Cairo.

"We are waiting for a sign from there that the Israelis are ready to recognize the basic demands of the Palestinian people," he said yesterday in an interview. "When we see that green light, people here will move."

There has been considerable movement already — one delegation from the Gaza Strip has gone to Cairo to bless President Sadat on his peace initiative and four other delegations are forming in different West Bank cities.

None of the participants, however, is a leader of stature. Mayors and other prominent personalities known to be sympathetic to the Sadat initiative have been waiting, along with King Hussein, on the fence. The most prominent personality in this group is Anwar al-Khatib, a governor of Jerusalem under Jordanian rule.

Israeli sources believe this group may be prepared to respond to an invitation from President Sadat to

**Abdul-Meguid to The Post: So far, so good**

By ANAN SAFADI  
Post Middle East Editor  
CAIRO. — Egypt's chief negotiator here, Esmat Abdul-Meguid last night told The Jerusalem Post that during the first two days of the conference "We had very serious and very businesslike discussions."

"I think and I hope there is a desire by both parties to reach agreement. Although we are still at the beginning, both of us want to achieve progress."

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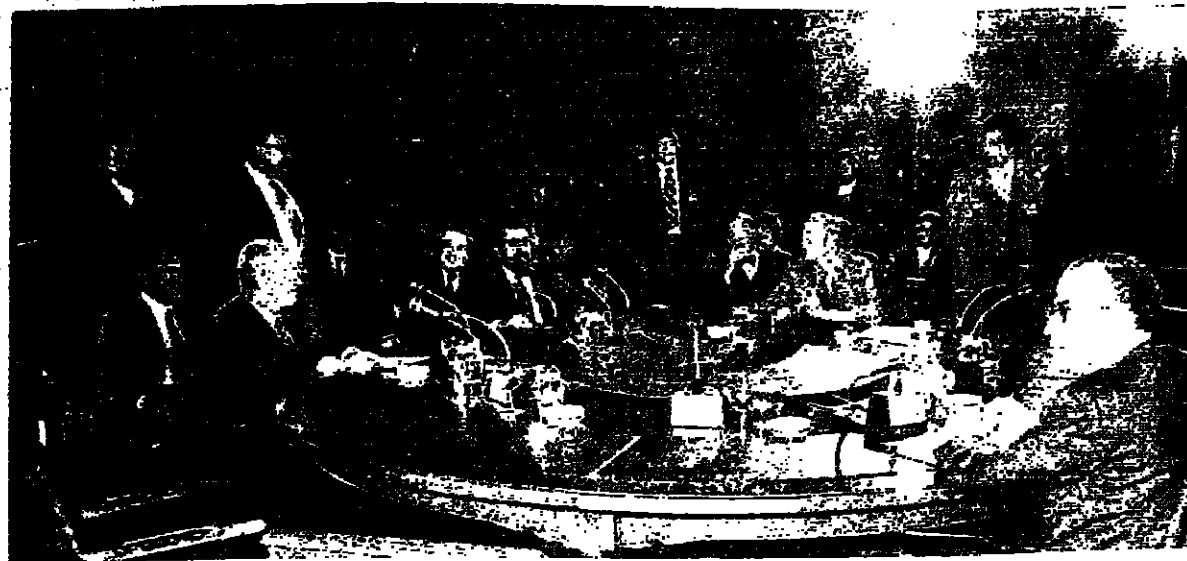
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Opening session of Cairo peace talks, in Mena House Hotel. At from left, are Gen. Enss, no of the UN, Israel's Dr. Ben-Elsar, Alfrid Atherton J.S., and Esmat Abdul-Maguid.



Flags outside entrance to Mena House Hotel. The banners later removed, at Israel's request.

Armed guards at entrance to Mena House complex.



Egyptians wave to women's bus. Sa'ad Zaghloul Nasser, presidential press man, holds copy of The New York Times.



Although no Israeli flags flew in Cairo, the city was decorated for the conference. Banners of support for President Sadat and his peace initiative, in Arabic and English, on one of city's main streets. At right, large poster of Sadat.



## National Insurance appeals ruling on alimony for childless women

The National Insurance Institute has appealed a Labour Court ruling instructing the institute to pay a divorced woman alimony, even though she is capable of working and has no children.

In her divorce settlement with her husband, Louise Cohen had been awarded IL500 in monthly alimony by a Petah Tikva Rabbinical Court. Since her husband was in the U.S. and she was not receiving the maintenance payments, she asked the National Insurance to make up the difference.

The institute refused, but in an appeal by Louise Cohen to the Tel Aviv District Labour Court, Judge Ziona Lips ruled that the basis for the institute's rejection — an administrative order from the Justice Minister forbidding payments of alimony to divorced women without children who can make their living — was in excess of the Justice Minister's authority.

The institute's appeal against Judge Lips' judgment claims that the Justice Minister had not exceeded his authority. There is a provision in the Alimony Law, the institute says, which states that the content of the legislation is to be applied gradually. The Justice Minister is empowered, according to the law, to determine in consultation with the Finance Minister, the categories of those women entitled to National Insurance alimony cheques.

Thus, the institute argues, the judge erred in ruling that the Justice Minister had exceeded his authority in instructing the institute to refuse applications for alimony such as that of Mrs. Cohen.

## Lebanese girl says she was raped by 4 Nazareth youths

NAZARETH (Him). — A Christian Lebanese girl visiting here yesterday complained to police that she was drugged and raped by four young men from this town.

The 23-year-old girl told police that she came to Israel 10 days ago to visit relatives in Haifa. Earlier this week she went to visit Nazareth where she met a local youth who invited her to his home for dinner, she said. At his house, three of the youth's friends were waiting. The girl said that she was drugged and, after she passed out, raped during the course of two days.

Police are holding four 18-year-old suspects for investigation.

## Couple charged with faking car allowance

NAZARETH (Him). — A local couple were charged yesterday in the Magistrate's Court here with fraudulently receiving separate car allowances from their employers for kilometrage marked up in the same vehicle.

Arye Eitan, who worked as housing supervisor for the Israel Land Authority's northern district, is alleged to have submitted bills for the travelling he had done as part of his duties in 1976.

His wife, Rina, who ran the Jewish Agency's clubhouse in Tiberias during those same years, is alleged to have billed her employers for trips she could not possibly have made if her husband had, in fact, used the family car for the journeys he had indicated on his own bills.

The prosecution told the court that the couple had received a total of IL11,000 in car allowances over the period in question.

## Hadera power station still under review

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Tadmor Committee studying the proposed use of coal to fuel the new Hadera power station will not submit its recommendations for another three months — the committee's head, Prof. Ya'acov Tadmor, said yesterday.

The committee is investigating the environmental impact of the use of coal for firing the station, for the Environmental Quality Preservation Authority.

Prof. Tadmor said the committee is discussing the feasibility of using a new wind tunnel at the Technion to study the impact of the coal firing. The committee intends writing detailed recommendations for the conditions to be imposed on the coal firing, which would be presented to the Interior Ministry, he said.

The ministry has not yet granted the Electric Corporation a licence for the use of coal at the station, and the corporation is building the coal-fired station according to specifications prepared by its own experts. The first unit at the new station is due to go into operation in another two years.

## Kargman: Invite ILP to join Alignment

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Labour should invite the Independent Liberal Party to join the Alignment, former MK Israel Kargman has urged, according to a party announcement issued here Wednesday.

Kargman asked party chairman Shimon Peres to approach the ILP because the latter is considering its future and some members advocate joining the Liberal Party in the Likud.

Peres invited the ILP to work together several months ago, but the proposal was met with little enthusiasm in the ILP, observers said.

## Weekend rugby matches

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — In two National League rugby fixtures at Kibbutz Yitzre'el tomorrow, the host team meets Tel Aviv ASA at 11.30 a.m., while Tel Aviv University plays Haifa Technion, at 1.30 p.m.

## Golda Meir: West Bank's fate should be decided at polls

KIBBUTZ MASADA. — In a vehement attack on Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan, former Prime Minister Golda Meir on Wednesday demanded that the government put the question of withdrawal from the West Bank to the public in general elections.

Speaking to a conference of members of Kibbutz Masada, Meir said that the government should do no more than initial agreements with Jordan on territorial compromises, and bring the question of actual withdrawal to the public.

"This is what he (Begin) demanded of my government while in the opposition and this is what he should do before taking any final action," she declared.

Meir dwelt on what she called the foreign minister's "defeatist attitude." She was referring to an interview given by Dayan earlier this week in which the minister said he did not believe there is an Arab leader who would be ready to give up territory. "I simply cannot understand the man, a foreign minister with defeatist policies, and I hope the nation does not follow him," Meir said.

## Saharans to free Frenchmen

PARIS (UPI). — Eight French civilians held hostage by the Western Sahara Polisario Liberation Front will be released in Algiers and handed over to UN secretary-general Kurt Waldheim on December 23, President Valery Giscard d'Estaing announced yesterday.

Giscard said that since the beginning of the week Waldheim had been negotiating with Polisario for the release and informed Foreign Minister Louis de Guiringaud by telephone of the positive results of these negotiations yesterday.

Waldheim said he would go to Algiers to get the prisoners, the Elysee presidential palace said.

Wednesday that it would release the prisoners but did not say at the time when and how they would be freed.

A statement published by the Polisario yesterday said, "Measures will be taken so that they (the prisoners) will be able to return to France in the same day."

Six of the civilians were captured by Polisario guerrilla groups in Mauritania last May and the other two were taken prisoner in 1976.

The Polisario Front, backed by Algeria and Libya, has been waging a guerrilla war against Mauritania and Morocco in an attempt to win control of the former Spanish Sahara, now divided between the two countries.

BOMB. — A time-bomb exploded in a student coffee house near an engineering school in Ankara, Turkey yesterday and injured 61 persons, police reported.

THE WAGE protection bill will be discussed at the next meeting of the Ministerial Committee on Social Betterment, the committee chairman, Deputy Prime Minister Yigael Yadin, said yesterday.

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## Cyprus president's son kidnapped by gunmen

NICOSIA (UPI). — Unidentified gunmen kidnapped the 21-year-old son of Cyprus President Spyros Kyprianou and demanded an amnesty for prisoners as a condition for his release, officials said yesterday.

A presidential palace announcement said Achilleas Kyprianou, an officer in the Cypriot National Guard, was kidnapped Wednesday night "by unknown persons," who set as a condition for his release "the granting of an amnesty to prisoners, people held as suspects in custody and wanted persons."

Police had no official comment immediately, but one high-ranking detective privately blamed the abduction on Eoka-B, the extreme right-wing underground organization that seeks the union of Cyprus with Greece. About 10 Eoka-B suspects were arrested several days ago following bomb attacks against power and water-supply installations within the British sovereign base areas on the island.

Word of the kidnapping was withheld from the president for more than eight hours — until early yesterday morning — out of concern for his health, sources said. Two months ago, Kyprianou underwent a series of medical tests in the U.S. Subsequently, a government

spokesman said the president was found to be "suffering from exhaustion." There have been reports he has a coronary artery disease known as stress angina.

Unofficial sources said Achilleas was abducted by three men outside a military camp at Makheras, in the Troodos mountain range 50 km southwest of Nicosia.

The sources said the three kidnappers arrived at the camp in a taxi, tied up the cabbie, and, on a pretext, lured Achilleas outside.

The taxi was found yesterday morning at Moshphili, near the port city of Larnaca.

Police sources said the search for the president's son was concentrated around the Limassol area in southern Cyprus and around Paphos in the western part of the island.

The Council of Ministers and the National Council, which includes representatives of all the political parties who form a personal advisory body to the president, met in emergency session to discuss the kidnapping.

Kyprianou, 44, became president following the death in August of Archbishop Makarios. He has two sons, Achilleas and Marinos, 19, who also serves in the National Guard. (UPI, AP)

## Moscow's influence wanes in Maputo

WASHINGTON Post News Service MAPUTO. — The Soviet Union, which has just been unceremoniously thrown out of Somalia, appears to be also losing ground and prestige here in Marxist Mozambique.

Soviet military assistance to bolster Mozambique's meagre defenses against repeated Rhodesian air and land attacks has not come on the scale anticipated, and other Soviet aid has been initially marred by doubts as to which country is benefiting most from the close relations between the two countries, according to Western and Mozambican sources.

The unexpected turnabout in Soviet fortunes in this sprawling Indian Ocean nation has the makings for a serious setback in Moscow's current drive to expand and consolidate its influence throughout Southern Africa at Western expense, taking advantage of the unresolved Rhodesia dispute and the worsening racial conflict in South Africa.

Located on the borders of both these white-ruled countries, Mozambique is obviously regarded by the Soviets as an extremely important ally in their grand southern Africa design.

Today, however, the Mozambican government seems to be turning more toward the West, including the U.S., than to its "natural ally," the Soviet Union, in its search for broader diplomatic support and economic aid.

The biggest surprise here, however, is that there is no evidence that the Soviet Union has given Mozambique the military wherewithal to defend itself. Western correspondents visiting here during the latest Rhodesian incursion in late November were appalled to discover just how lightly defended both the country's own borders and the nationalist guerrilla camps still are against the relatively well-equipped Rhodesians.

Mozambican and Western diplomatic sources say the Soviets have so far provided this war-torn nation with mostly obsolete weapons, such as T34 tanks and Mig 17 jets, and that the few missiles in its arsenal for air defence are mostly of Tanzanian origin.

There are two theories circulating in diplomatic circles here as to why the Soviets have not been more forthcoming in their military aid programme. One holds that the Mozambican government has deliberately not asked for any because it does not want to play into Rhodesia's hands by internationalizing the conflict. Direct Soviet or Cuban intervention could easily provoke South Africa into providing more military aid than it already is to the white minority Rhodesian government.

The second theory is that Mozambique did ask for more sophisticated weapons than it has so far received but was turned down. One main reason for this alleged Soviet refusal would have been the fact Moscow is supporting the Rhodesian nationalist faction based in Zambia, the Zimbabwe African People's Union (Zapu), while the faction located here, the Zimbabwe African National Union (Zanu), is Chinese-backed.

Thus, the Soviets would not care, and indeed would be privately happy, if the Zanu guerrilla force here does take a pounding since it serves to strengthen Zapu, whose camps in Zambia have so far escaped large-scale Rhodesian attacks.

## Sheikh borrows \$19m. to build Abu Dhabi centre

DUBAI (Reuters). — An Arab sheikh has obtained one of the biggest personal bank loans ever — \$19m. bankers here said yesterday.

The money is to build an international trade centre in Abu Dhabi, and is being provided by nine local and international banks to Sheikh Surour Bin Mohammed al-Nahayan, a cousin of the United Arab Emirates president, Sheikh Zaid Bin Sultan al-Nahayan.

The five-year loan to Surour, who is also the chief of Zaid's court, was managed by the Abu Dhabi Investment Company.

Work on the trade centre is expected to be completed in 18 months.

## S. Africa opens 12 new fields to non-whites

PRETORIA (AP). — Minister of Labour S.P. Botha announced on Wednesday that 12 of the 25 occupations reserved for whites were being opened to non-whites. Six occupations had been opened earlier.

The latest move affected the clothing industry, motor vehicle drivers, the wholesale meat trade, certain work in the liquor and catering trade, the shoe industry, the furniture industry, and passenger lift attendants.

Under South African law, certain jobs are reserved for the nation's 4.8 million whites.

## U.S. renames neutron bomb to win approval from Nato

WASHINGTON Post News Service

WASHINGTON. — The U.S. Army is stepping up its merchandising campaign on behalf of its controversial neutron weapons.

For one thing, the enhanced radiation weapons, popularly and inaccurately (to the Pentagon's exasperation) called neutron bombs, have been officially renamed the reduced blast-enhanced radiation weapons... as having given birth to an insidious new killer device.

Also, in "Spotlight," a Department of the Army publication for senior military commanders, an article entitled "The Neutron Bomb" describes the new weapon as a device for "defending Nato without destroying the very countries we are fighting to defend."

The administration is having trouble getting the Nato allies to accept deployment of neutron weapons on their territory. President Jimmy

Carter has delayed his expected production decision until the Nato countries reach a "consensus" that publicly supports its deployment.

The pamphlet, which is being reprinted in U.S. Army newspapers in Europe, was designed to combat news accounts which, it says, "have portrayed the development of the reduced blast-enhanced radiation weapon... as having given birth to an insidious new killer device."

Instead, the article asserts, it "is nothing sinister. It is simply an improved version of nuclear warheads that have been in the army's inventory for years."

To illustrate and emphasize the point, the publication includes two illustrations that purport to compare the effects of the present "fission weapon" and the proposed "fusion weapon" (for some reason it is not called by its new RB-

ER designation).

The fission weapon destroys tanks by blast and kills troops with radiation, but also lays waste to the neighbouring town through thermal effects. Even the crops in the fields are burned out.

The neutron weapon, however, incapacitates tank crews and troops through lethal radiation but leaves the town standing intact. Even the crops remain untouched.

What is missing is any indication that there are dangerous radiation levels that would blanket the town in the case of both weapons — though at higher levels with the neutron.

In the effort to promote the virtues of the neutron weapons, the publication suggests it may be used to deliver radiation to specific targets without destroying them — a "death ray" characteristic Pentagon officials once argued with when stories

on the neutron weapons appeared.

For example, at one point it the neutron weapon could be on a "structure which must be destroyed (bridge, rally etc.)... the Remagen Bridge crosses the Rhine River in many) is a typical example of a blast damage (in World War II would have been adverse to the forces' future operations."

The Pentagon adopted the name for the neutron weapons RB-ER designation, to emphasize the less-destructive character it likes to promote. The suggestion for the change, according to administration officials, came classified cable last summer. U.S. Ambassador to Nato W. T. Bennett, who is based in Brussels where neutron weapons are considered controversial.

## Vietnamese hijackers to be caned

SINGAPORE (Reuters). — Four Vietnamese hijackers were each sentenced to 14 years in jail and ordered to be caned after they pleaded guilty to arms charges in the high court here yesterday.

The four men, who in October seized an Air Vietnam plane on a domestic flight and forced it to fly to Singapore after killing two crewmen, pleaded for leniency. But the court ruled that the circumstances of the case demanded the maximum penalty.

The leader of the four, Lam Van Tu, 28, told the court that he had staged the bloody mid-air hijack to escape from suffering in their Communist homeland.

Lam was ordered to be given 12 strokes of the cane, while the other three — Tran Van Tu, 25, Nguyen Minh Van, 30 and Tran Van Hai, 33, — will receive six strokes each.

Lam was charged with illegally possessing a revolver and ammunition.

The others were accused of being in the company of a man in possession of a gun under the Singapore arms act.

The government had stated that under present Singapore laws the four men could not be tried for hijacking and murders as these crimes were committed outside the island state's air space.

It had also rejected a strong demand from Hanoi for the return of the hijackers.

## 15 detained after Belfast police raid IRA hideouts

BELFAST (AP). — More than 400 police officers, backed by British troops, raided suspected Irish Republican Army hideouts in Belfast's Roman Catholic districts yesterday and detained at least 15 persons, police headquarters reported.

The swoops, the biggest security operation in Northern Ireland since Queen Elizabeth II's controversial visit to the province last August, followed the assassination of a British Army undercover agent in Belfast on Monday.

The agent, identified by military headquarters as Lance-Corporal Paul Harman, 27, was shot in the head and back in the Turf Lodge quarter, a stronghold of the IRA's "provisional" wing.

Security authorities believe Harman was killed by the Irish Republican Socialist Party (IRSP),

a breakaway IRA faction, in retaliation for the killing of Colin McNeill, one of their activists, in Londonderry on Monday.

The IRSP, a revolutionary group that split from the Marxist "official" wing of the IRA four years ago and now is allied to the provisionalists, claimed McNeill was shot by an undercover army squad. The army has admitted soldiers were "involved."

Yesterday's swoops were spread over four hours in Catholic strongholds in West and North Belfast, police said.

Authorities declined to give many details, but said two offices run by Sinn Fein, the provisional IRA's political front, were raided and documents seized.

Police sources disclosed that a senior British police officer from London's Scotland Yard helped plan the raids.

## German police chase Lebanese

WIESBADEN, West Germany (Reuters). — Police on Wednesday chased a Lebanese, suspected of being an urban terrorist, for 20 km, firing shots at his car before forcing him to halt, a police spokesman said.

The spokesman said the man, Georges Tayar, 30, told them he was a doctor and the fiancé of Belgium's Princess Astrid.

The hunt started at the border with Luxembourg at Trier, where, instead of producing a passport, Tayar showed the customs official an envelope bearing the coat of arms

of the Belgian royal family and then sped off in his limousine.

An hour later, at Montabaur, the crew of a police squad car raided their headquarters that the hunted driver looked like Christian Klar, a suspected urban terrorist on the police wanted list.

When he was finally stopped, Tayar told police he had not realised he was being chased, the spokesman said.

He is being held for traffic violations and other offences, such as failing to stop for police.

## Iranian general sentenced to death for spying

TEHRAN (Reuters). — The newspaper "Rastakhiz" said yesterday an Iranian army general was sentenced to death for spying for "aliens" and that a civil war would shortly face similar charges.

The paper said Major G. Ahmed Moghribi had been convicted by a military court and the appeal would be heard next Sunday. It did not say when the general was arrested or when his trial, supposedly secret, had taken place.

"Rastakhiz" said the other named as Ali aq Rabbani, who tried by a civilian court next month on spying charges.

It said Rabbani was an education official who had also been in the scouts organization.

## Menten appeals war crimes conviction

AMSTERDAM (Reuters). — Millionaire Pieter Menten yesterday appealed against his conviction for 15-year prison sentence for crimes committed by a special force on Wednesday.

Menten, 75, was found guilty of involvement in a mass shooting of Polish Jews in 1941, acquitted of a second mass because of lack of proof.

The Supreme Court will not consider the facts of the case, but points of law.

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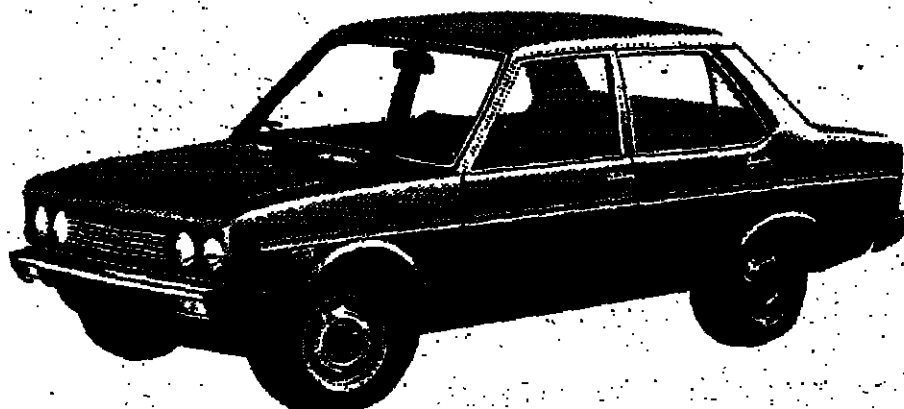
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# Israelis still optimistic about Egypt, poll shows

By LOUIS GUTTMAN

Israel's attitudes towards war and peace, which were widely immediately before President Sadat's visit to Jerusalem last month, now have shifted at levels near those reached last week (the beginning of the year) almost half the urban Jews (who constitute the population of the Continuing Survey of the Institute of Applied Research, a weekly poll conducted since 1967) believe there will be another war with the Arabs. In anticipation of Sadat's visit, a percentage holding this opinion was 30 per cent, a rise from the 10 per cent that held this opinion during the four weeks before the Egyptian President's arrival. After Sadat's address to the Knesset, this percentage jumped to 33 per cent, a rise from 23 days after Egyptian President's departure, a rise to 48 per cent.

There were no such mercurial swings, however, concerning Egypt's intentions. The data show that the belief that a new war will be waged in the near future remains at the high of 30 per cent. During the 10 weeks from the Six Day War until Sadat's dramatic visit to Israel, only 40-45 per cent had positive assessment of intentions.

The condition of tampered optimism raises the question of the extent of the influence of the leader may have upon the attitudes of the groups he wishes to lead, both among his own people and those of the other side. Israelis believe that a single leader can bring about a basic change in a community. How do they assess his interactions between the (and other events) and the political behaviour of an out-political personality?

Questions on the personal enigma: does a leader times, or do the times bring the appropriate leader? By this leadership issue, 11 questions were asked in the Continuing Survey following Sadat's visit. The first question was: "To what extent do you believe that a leader can bring about a change in the approach of the people which he leads to a historical enemy of long standing in this general form, or that they thought

SADAT'S BOX SCORE	
According to the Continuing Survey until December 2, 1977	
Listing of issues according to consensus or lack of consensus among Israeli urban Jews.	
CONSTANTLY STRONG CONSENSUS	
(Consistently, about 80 per cent or more of the respondents are agreed over time, regardless of events including Sadat's Jerusalem visit and invitation to Cairo)	
— Israel can cope (in general) and survive in the future.	80
— Israel can cope with the military situation	74
— Russia's intentions are to harm Israel	65
— U.S. intentions are to help Israel	58
— Israel should go to Geneva	55
— Syria is not interested in a real peace with Israel	53
— Returning territories has nothing to do with attaining real peace	52
— A good part of Sinai should be returned to Egypt	51
— No return to the 1967 borders (even with minor adjustments)	50
— The status of united Jerusalem should remain unchanged	49
— The status of Sharm el-Sheikh and of the Golan Heights should remain essentially unchanged	48
— There shall be no new independent Arab State in the West Bank	47
— A Palestinian state in the West Bank will endanger the security of Israel	46
— No dealing with Arafat or PLO	45
— "Real Peace" necessarily includes open borders to commerce and tourism and normal diplomatic relations.	44
ISSUES ON WHICH A NEW CONSENSUS HAS BEEN FORMED FOLLOWING SADAT'S VISIT	
— Egypt is interested in a real peace with Israel	43
— There is now a substantial increase in the prospect of peace with the Arab countries	42
— Israel should try to achieve direct negotiations with the Arabs and need not wait for U.S. mediation	41
— There is now the possibility of doing away with the state of war with Egypt	40
— Egypt may be able to lead the other Arab countries towards co-existence with Israel	39
— It is possible to come to an agreement with Egypt without negotiating with Syria	38
— There will be no war within the next year or two on the Syrian front	37
— Israel should insist that negotiations with Arab countries be only face-to-face	36
ISSUES ON WHICH THE OLD CONSENSUS HAS BEEN BROKEN AND ON WHICH ISRAELI JEWS ARE NOW DIVIDED	
— Will there be another war with Arab countries? (Previous consensus was "Yes")	35
— Is the purpose of the Arab countries to destroy Israel? (Previous consensus was "Yes")	34
— Is Geneva likely to result in a real peace? (Previous consensus was "No")	33
— After all that has happened now, will the Arab countries be willing to discuss a real peace with Israel? (Previous consensus was "No")	32
ISSUES ON WHICH THERE HAS BEEN NO CONSENSUS NEITHER BEFORE NOR AFTER SADAT'S VISIT	
— What to do with Judea and Samaria (given that no independent state will be allowed there)?	31
— What to do with the Gaza strip?	30

a leader could accomplish "a great deal" or "a substantial amount of change." Thirty-two per cent thought he could only create "some change" and 6 per cent thought he could make little or no change. When asked about specific leaders influencing their own countrymen, the answers varied according to the leader and the

The leader The "enemy" "A great change" (in percentage)

1. Leaders	80
2. Sadat	74
3. Hussein	65
4. Assad	58
5. Arafat	55
6. Begin	53
7. Begin	52
8. Begin	51
9. Begin	50

Israelis do not believe that a leader like Begin can change their attitudes towards an extreme group like the Palestine Liberation Organization, while he can be expected to influence their attitudes towards a country for which there were mixed feelings to begin with.

The similarities and differences ascribed to the potential influence of various leaders, with respect to the various countries, clearly show how the Israeli public believes that the power of a leader depends upon the context in which he has to operate. The more moderate the context, perhaps the more influence the leader may have. The more extreme the context, the less influence the leader may have.

Such findings add confirmation to the analysis we have reported previously of the spring election campaign to the Knesset which brought the Likud to power. Analysis of the Continuing Survey data gathered during the election campaign, and over the preceding 10-year period, showed that the elections were not determined so much by the personalities leading the various parties — neither by their charisma nor by mishap or scandal — but by concrete events affecting the country as a whole.

On the basis of these conclusions, we can now better address the problem that remains to be discussed: how is the perspective of Israelis affected by their perceptions of the potential influences of the several leaders? The data show that there is virtually no correlation between the two.

Clearly, such lack of correlation implies that Israelis recognize that events surrounding and beyond the control of individual leaders, no matter how dominant these may appear to be. The tempered optimism of Israeli Jews is a result of this perception of the dependence of leadership on events, as much as the dependence of events on leadership. (Louis Guttman is scientific director of the Israel Institute of Applied Social Research and professor of social and psychological assessment at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.)

## m going to see J'lem again, vs childless widow in Cairo

AP). — Rose Zilberstein lived under a car, a squalid existence and the most desperate of conditions, until she came to see Jerusalem before she died. She was a Jewish community, the 73-year-old widow cries easily when she says "Israel."

Her husband, a carpenter, died in the 1940s. She was born in Warsaw in 1903, when Czarist Russia still controlled Eastern Poland. When she was eight years old, her father, Haim, gathered his family and moved to Jerusalem.

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buildings in the winter. She was a pretty woman, young Rose Zilberstein, one of the finest court makers in Cairo a few decades ago.

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Jews to work here, so about 1952. (The year Nasser and other army officers overthrew King Farouk) the Jews began to leave.

"My husband and I wanted to go to Jerusalem. We got all our papers, our tickets. We were going to leave in 1956, but my husband died."

Gradually, all of Mrs. Sachs' relatives left Egypt.

Cairo's Jewish community, numbering 100,000 in 1948, shrank to today's 200 — most of them elderly. The childless widow lived alone in a small apartment in downtown Cairo until two years ago.

"On the 29th of December 1976, there was a fire. I lost most of my money, most of my jewelry, all my papers," she said.

She moved into the Hotel Excelsior where she pays \$11 a month for a single room. The possessions she salvaged from the fire are heaped in bundles over half the room.

"I am going to go to Jerusalem," she said. "I am going to get my papers replaced so I can go. I have a nephew there. I do not know his address, but his name is Eliezer Zilberstein and he has a shop with a coffee machine in Jerusalem. When I get there I will find him."

## If Cairo talks prove fruitful African states prepared to resume ties with Israel

PARIS (JTA). — A number of African countries are preparing to resume diplomatic relations with Israel should the Cairo talks show some progress on the way to peace.

African diplomats here told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that several countries, including the Ivory Coast, Senegal and Kenya, have indicated their willingness to start negotiations with Israel "as soon as some progress is made" in Cairo. The diplomats say these negotiations should be relatively simple as there are no major obstacles on the way to a resumption of normal relations.

Practically all the African countries broke off their diplomatic relations with Israel at the time of the Six Day War. In spite of this, Israel has maintained economic relations with most of them and Israeli leaders have conferred with several African presidents. Foremost among these have been

## Arab protest tomorrow

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The country's Arab citizens have been called out tomorrow to protest "the policy of demolishing houses in the Arab sector."

The protest was organized by a committee of Arab leaders three weeks ago. It is to coincide with the 40th day after the death of Ahmed Masri, who was killed when police opened fire to suppress a riot in Majd El-Kurum. The riot followed the demolition of an illegally built house in the village.

## Protesting Citrus Board workers hold up exports

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Citrus fruit loading in Haifa Port was delayed for two hours yesterday while the 80 employees of the Citrus Marketing Board's port staff held a protest meeting between 10 a.m. and noon.

They protested what they termed "the deliberate delays" by the board management in negotiating their 1977 work contract. Committee members said the negotiations had been drawn out for over three months, and the staff had lost all patience. They had put forward demands for various improvements in pay and working conditions.

The stoppage further delayed citrus exports, which have already been considerably slowed down by this week's bad weather.

## Soviets extend detention of Shcharansky for 6 months

MOSCOW (AP). — KGB security police said yesterday that they have received government permission to extend for up to six months their detention of imprisoned Jewish dissident Anatoly Shcharansky, family members reported.

Shcharansky's 70-year-old mother, Ida Milgrom, said she was told by a KGB investigator at Moscow's Lefortovo prison that permission to continue the investigation had been received from the Supreme Soviet, the nation's parliament.

Shcharansky, 29, was arrested on March 15, reportedly on the capital charge of treason. Parliamentary permission is needed to continue a citizen's detention without trial for more than nine months.

The additional time will presumably give KGB investigators a chance to continue their interrogations of other dissidents about the Shcharansky case and should give Soviet political leaders time to decide what to do with him.

Shcharansky's arrest, which followed Soviet newspaper charges that he spied for the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency, has led to major campaigns in his defence in several Western countries.

U.S. President Jimmy Carter earlier this year denied any contact between Shcharansky and U.S. intelligence, and his case has been raised by U.S. delegates at the Belgrade Conference on European Security.

Several U.S. politicians have said that the outcome of Shcharansky's case could affect the U.S. congressional mood toward trade and arms limitation agreements with the Soviet Union.

Ignoring the Western reaction, however, the official Tass news agency said on October 28 that Shcharansky will be punished "with the full severity of Soviet law." Shcharansky's mother was told on November 16 to hire a lawyer to defend him.

Shcharansky, a computer programmer, is a member of a group set up by Soviet dissidents last year to monitor Soviet compliance with the 1975 Helsinki agreements on European security and human rights. He has also been an activist in the Jewish emigration movement and has sought to emigrate to Israel himself since April 1973.

Mrs. Milgrom told Western correspondents that a KGB investigator told her yesterday that the investigation of her son could end before the six months are up.



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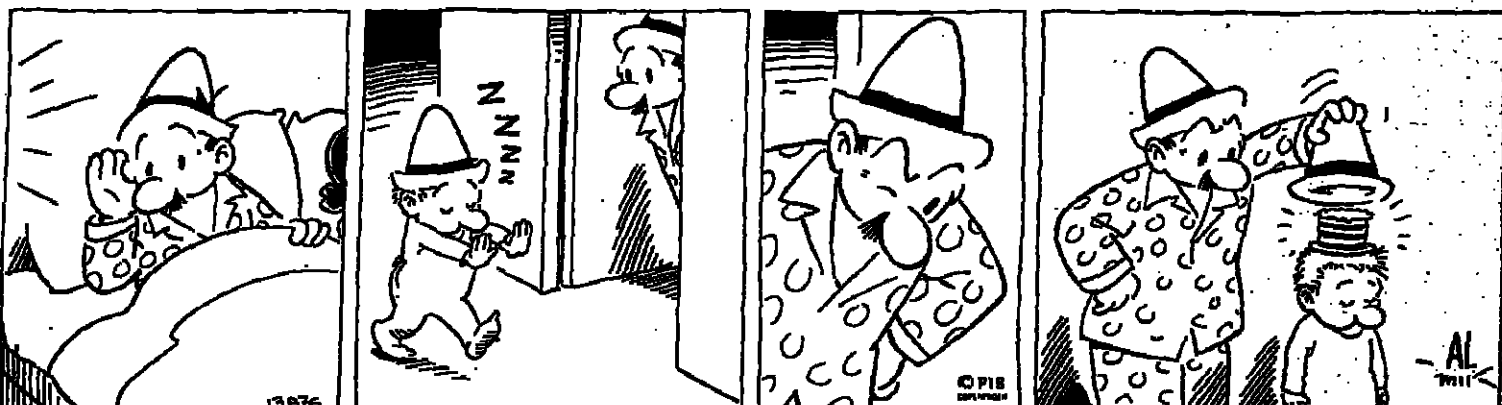


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OF GOLDA'S best wisecracks, when asked if President Sadat and Premier Begin would get the Nobel Peace prize, he said: "I don't know. I have both demonstrated considerable dramatic talent. In fact, Prime Minister is so masterly a man that he even upstaged me: after the sensational announcement he was off the see President, the opening of the Cairo office he had helped to create, and anti-climatic. Nevertheless, we are all grateful for television for bringing us such material from the banks of the Nile. I hate to grieve, but I found most of the pictures taken this in Cairo were very shoddy. I know where the film was all by Israeli photographers, but some came from a pool. But a few were poor, shots were from long distances and had several films looked like phew's bar mitzva. I am sure there were objective reasons for effects — probably influence by security people — but a truth must be recorded. The thing: Elud Ya'ari must be his cousin, or at least his uncle. Those he is wearing now are a line across his eyes, by when he looks down at his This makes us doubt the no- of his vision of the world.

LY LIFE in Israel. If we are to be in the stereotypes of it, it is as if it makes American as depicted by Eugene O'Neill, Tennessee Williams and Lillian Hellman. By comparison to be of light and laughter. Grand-randma, daddy, mummy and brats are always about to us, pid, vacuous, acquiescent,

JOSEPH HAD not yet revealed identity to his brothers and pleaded before him (as a man for the others), he in his plea for the release of Joseph, Benjamin, the need for a son for their father (Gen. 34). "We have an aged father," Sara makes a comment that special point to this reference as an advanced age of Jacob, backing up his statement, evidence, he says that Reuben is only 45. Right reasonably be assumed Jacob was a comparatively man, say in his late sixties, however, was on the verge of 70 year.

IAEL CHAMBER COHENSTRA, and conductor Yoram Karmali (Tel Aviv, December 16). J.C. Bach, in B flat Major, Op. 10, No. 3; J.S. Bach, Brandenburg Concerto No. 4 in G major; Chopin's Concerto for Piano and Orchestra, Op. 21, No. 1; Mendelssohn's Symphony No. 4 ("Italian").

a brilliant choice of music could perhaps have been for concert lacking any of interpretation. This concert by the Chamber Orchestra had neither — with the exception of the Seder.

Ministry by J.C. Bach and a suburb concerto (soloists: Levent, violin; Avner Biron, Targali Shina'an, flute) soundure and spiritless and often accuracy. With all due for Pergolesi, a genius splendid career came cruelly at the age of 36, this concert was very little to offer. The solemn symphony, the conductor achievement, sounded mechanical.

concert proved again that disinterested instrumentalists should their matter. Karmali is a distinguished in-

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arrow, callow, insensitive, egotistic, materialistic monsters: the habitual tone used in discourses between the inmates of these halls is a revolting whine. Perhaps because I am still such a fanatical Zionist, I simply refuse to believe that the new Jew in his own homeland is really as he is shown on his own film.

We saw a tragic example of this type of Israeli family in an excellent film, *Silverstein* 78 made by the Israel Broadcasting Authority. The initial titles were in English, which provokes the suspicion that the film was intended for sale abroad. Since I believe so ardently in complete freedom for the artist, I cannot object to our TV making such a film, but I do have a sneaking hope as a Zionist — see above — that nobody bought it.

Of the quality of the script-writing, production, direction and acting there can be no question: all were of very high standard. Nathan Melzer gave a most convincing performance as the nauseous old father, who certainly did not deserve to be sent off to a luxurious old aged home — he should have been put in a garbage disposal unit. His foul qualities were inherited by his son Yoash (Gedalyahu Benzer), as revolting as a porcupine as ever made some poor Yalutza country doubt the wisdom of allowing the creation of Israel. But let's face it, Yoash was no worse than the immoral patriot who stayed here, Boaz, acted very convincingly by Michael Kfir. The only one who had occasional spasms of decency was the daughter, Dina (Liora Rivlin). Alice said about the Yalutza, as distinct from the Carpenter, that at least he was "a little sorry for the poor cypsters," and wept for them, although he ate more of them. Similarly, Dina cried a little as she pushed the pen into Papa's hand, while she urged him to sign

Late starter  
BIBLICAL BYWAYS  
Louis I. Rabinowitz

Rashi's detailed and closely reasoned calculation based on Gen. 23:3. The Bible gives the needed data apart from one gap of 14 years, which are covered by the legend that Jacob, after leaving his parental home to escape the murderous intentions of Esau and before proceeding to Padan Aram, spent 14 years "in the Yeshiva of Shem and Ever."

Poor fare  
MUSIC  
Benjamin Bar-Am

strumentalist, an undisputed master of his instrument and a musician of impressive stature have he, however, he simply loses his identity, what comes across sounds vague, conceptual and unconvincing.

The only item which made attendance worthwhile was Seter's Elegy. It is a piece of haunting sadness and stern gravity expressed by an incredible economy of means. Seder's solo part was subtle, concentrated and touchingly plaintive in mood (rightly not in effect). I could hardly imagine a more authentic or exhaustive interpretation of this highly original composition.

What a pity that this one piece was surrounded by mediocrity.

THE FRENCH WOODWIND QUINSET  
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# The Cairo premiere

TELEVIEW  
Philip Gillon

away his property.  
The plot was slight. The old man's house and land had soared in value to astronomical heights: party-goers Boaz and Dina wanted him to sell, and to hand over the money to them so that they could buy the villa they needed so badly. Papa, remembering ecstatically the wonderful May Day speech he made in the 30's, and gloating over his achievement in surviving all his friends, kept changing the subject when they asked him to put his moniker on the old dotted. In their anguish, they wrote to Yoash, who left home 15 years ago, urging him to come back, so as to increase the pressure on the selfish old wretch. It all worked out very happily in the end: Yoash forged Dad's signature, and then went back to inflict his presence on Italy.

If I had written about the play rather satirically, I must admit that I am being unfair, because I did not feel satirical about it at the time. It was done with such force that I completely identified with the characters. But I still question whether Israeli families are all so terrible. I suppose that happy families are not worth writing about.

THE LIGHTER side of the dreadful Israeli family is shown to us on "Family Situation." Archie Bunker is ghastly, but at least his wife and the children were human beings. The

making him 84. Add one year till Reuben was born (to Leah), and Jacob was 85. He was 130 when he stood before Pharaoh (Gen. 47:9). Therefore, even if one doesn't consider the period it took for the brothers to return to Canaan and come back with Jacob, one can see that Reuben indeed would have been 45 (130 minus 85).

Jacob was not the only late starter among the Patriarchs in producing progeny. His grandfather Abraham was a centenarian when Isaac was born (Gen. 21:5) and Isaac, although he married Rebecca at the age of 40 (35:28), had to wait 21 years until the union resulted in the birth of Esau and Jacob (v. 26). In other words, Abraham's great-grandson from Isaac was born 245 years after the birth of Abraham!

Arrives: Quintet; Anton Belch (Quintet); Best: First place here.

THIS woodwind quintet carries the highly prestigious name of "The French Woodwind Quintet." As expectations were high, the more painful was the disappointment. Even if one's approach was without any extramusical criteria, it was a poor performance.

Lack of accuracy, blurred sound, patchy textures and badly articulated phrases in the Mozart could be explained away by the difficulties wind ensembles sometimes encounter at the beginning of their careers. There are no excuses for what followed.

The Reicha was more or less acceptable, but none of the other pieces made any interpretational sense. The ensemble lacks such basics as togetherness, dynamical shading, rhythmic accuracy, sound quality and what seems worst, a feeling for the beauty of the music. The flute could perhaps have made a nice contribution in a different group and the bassoon played decently and fairly good musician. All the rest apparently lack the most basic musical necessities. If this group was ever a first-class ensemble, it is no longer.

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Israeli family portrayed in "Family Situation, does not have one decent member; the children have inherited the loathsome qualities of the parents. This family gets regular counsel from a psychologist, surveying the sordid scene benignly like an Angel of the Lord, but my own impression is that the whole crowd — this includes their visitors — need something more drastic than a psychologist.

It will no doubt be argued that I am being unjust and extreme; the exaggerated stereotypes are only intended to point a tale and clarify a moral in a light way. But every parent looking at the show must think: "Thank Heaven I'm not an insensitive brute like that." Nobody will admit to behaving as these people behave. Hence the psychologist's lesson is not meant for him, or her. So the playlet is self-defeating, since the programme is made by Instructional Television, and is presumably intended to be educational.

On Education Television itself, on Tuesday evening, I saw a different version of "Family Situation," made either later or earlier. This was much closer to reality. All the friends of a little boy have bicycles, on which they ride off on wonderful trips. They refuse to take him on their carriers. His parents, pleasant, ordinary folk, tell him that he will get a bicycle on his birthday, from his saved pocket-money and the presents he will receive; they give him 1000 a week to put in his piggy-bank. In despair, he invites all his peers to the cinema at his expense, and steals his own money from his piggy-bank to cover the cost. Comes the dreaded birthday, relations and friends cough up very handsomely, but —

Various opinions were expressed by parents and children in the studio.

PRECISION AT ITS BEST  
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ALLAN LEE of Eliat played today's deal in a local tournament. His play was most accurate; so was the Precision bidding, with partner Yachene Levine.

East-West vol.  
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The Puritans thought it essential for the boy to learn the virtues of self-denial and postponement of satisfaction; the more liberal sympathized with a group animal cut off from the herd. No clear answer was given. Speaking for myself, an anti-Puritan, I think that adulthood will carry so many lessons in suffering and denial that childhood should be a time for kindness and indulgence.

THE DEBATE on the proposed law to have compulsory arbitration of disputes in the services was so exciting that it was carried on far into the night, by telephone calls to the Gali Zahal. Opposition leader Shimon Peres, Menahem Begin, MK and others phoned in to add their contributions to the discussion. Mordechai Wilkshulski MK pressed the case for compulsory arbitration: shattering strikes had cost the country billions of dollars, and most of them had ended with the two sides in predictable positions. Gideon Ben-Israel put up a very competent case to preserve freedom to strike as an elementary right in a democracy. He proved that compulsory arbitration had failed in other lands, like England and Australia.

What emerged most clearly is that the present position, in which a handful of key people can hold the country up to ransom, cannot be allowed to continue. But is compulsory arbitration the panacea Wilkshulski claims it will be? It would seem that merely forcing people to go to arbitration — if this can be done — is not enough. Everything depends on the rules by which the arbitrator plays. If these are clearly defined, he may be able to give an acceptable verdict; if the rules are nebulous, as it seems they may be in the proposed law, the arbitrator will be like a judge trying a Kafka case in which nobody knows the offence.

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כלכלה מן האכל

# The West front

Some of the possibilities for settlement in Judea/Samaria are examined by ZALMAN SHOVAL, MK.

President Sadat — certainly in his public utterances — has also ruled out this possibility. It appears, therefore, to be a problem of squaring the circle: how to allow Sadat to be true to his principles with regard to Palestinian Arabs; how to give the Arab population of Judea and Samaria the feeling, and indeed the reality, of greater national and cultural autonomy; and how to enable Israel to maintain those positions that she considers vital for her security and her very existence.

IT IS PERHAPS no coincidence that in recent weeks there has been more and more talk about a "functional" partition of Judea and Samaria, i.e., a formula that would divorce the territorial aspect of the question from the demographic one.

The basic concept is new — Moshe Dayan has been talking about it in one form or another for almost 10 years — but only quite recently have some people in Washington and Jerusalem (and perhaps Cairo) begun to realize that, in the circumstances, this may be the only practical solution.

One gets the impression that some of President Carter's senior foreign policy advisers, for instance, are now thinking in terms of giving the West Bank Arabs some sort of "home rule" under Jordanian over-arched sovereignty. Israel would be permitted to maintain a temporary "defensive" presence in the area, while economic co-operation between Israel and this semi-autonomous Palestinian entity would be encouraged.

A variation of this theme is the suggestion that, after five or 10 years, a plebiscite should be held in the area, to determine if the local



Arab population wished for incorporation into Jordan, incorporation into Israel, or full-scale "Palestinian" independence.

It should be perfectly clear that this concept is not identical with the ideas of a "functional solution" which have been enunciated by some people in Israel. There are, of course, some similarities, but the above-mentioned U.S. concept, in its present form, contains certain aspects which have been, and will continue to be, totally unacceptable to Israel. Not imposing Israeli sovereignty on Judea and Samaria is not synonymous with agreeing to the establishment there of Jordanian or separatist Palestinian sovereignty; were Israel to agree to this, all those "special rights" which Israel would receive in the area would not be worth the paper they are written on, they could be abolished any time by the sovereign ruler. For instance, Israel could not prevent — except by

going to war — this "semi-autonomous entity" turning into a full-fledged Palestinian state, which could then abolish Israel's status on the West Bank by a stroke of the pen. Moreover, who can predict whether the present Jordanian regime itself may not change, one of these days?

The security aspects are, of course, extremely important for Israel. Not all Israelis share the same sentiments with regard to Judea and Samaria, but most of them understand that a return to the 1967 borders would make the state intolerably vulnerable.

Though the U.S. government, and maybe Sadat as well, sympathize with Israel's quest for security, they still seem to think in terms of demilitarization, early-warning systems, and the like.

One does not have to be a military expert to realize that formulae for demilitarization and neutralization — which have never worked in the past (for example, Belgium in World War I) — and electronic gadgetry would not give Israel the peace and security she needs. Nor would they prevent the area from being used as a base for terrorist, part-military activity against the Jewish state.

Any formula for a mere "temporary" and limited Israeli military presence is, thus, no solution to the problem.

It should be perfectly clear to us, therefore, that any "functional" solution based on complete Jordanian sovereignty in Judea and Samaria is as potentially risky to Israel as any other formula, which makes the preservation of Israel's legitimate rights and needs in the area dependent on someone else's goodwill.

On the matter of "sovereignty," therefore, the views of Israel and the U.S. still seem to be far apart. This does not mean that common ground cannot be reached, eventually.

We do not now know where President Sadat stands. But in there are other formulae which would give the main parties concerned, simultaneously, at least part of what they want and need?

The author is a leading member of the La'am faction in the Likud.

## POSTSCRIPTS

"WHEN my two sons were killed in the War of Liberation, they took with them my hope of grandchildren and great-grandchildren. But I see these unborn children among you here today. May you grow to womanhood in peace and happiness."

The speaker was Rivka Guber, the almost legendary bereaved mother who threw herself into work among new immigrants to forget her personal tragedy. Her audience was made up of 106 twelve-year-old girls who had lost their fathers in Israel's wars, their mothers and relatives. The place was Beit Hanassi in Jerusalem on the last day of Hanukkah.

This is the fourth year that the mass Bat Mitzva party has been held, on the initiative of Mrs. Nina Katir. When the President's wife found that the Habad Organization had been arranging Bat Mitzva celebrations for the sons of fallen soldiers, she asked what was being done for their daughters.

Learning that the girls were being neglected in this respect, Mrs. Katir promptly decided that she would hold an annual party for them at Beit Hanassi.

The girls, who included the daughters of three Soviet olim as well as of soldiers from the minority communities, received gifts from Beit Hanassi (the collected songs of Neomi Shemer), from Yael Ben-Zur, Moshé and other well-wishers. Their mothers also received presents.

The names of the Bat Mitzva were as varied as their backgrounds, ranging from Imbar to Smadar, from Dganit to Anat. There was even a solitary, unexpected Noel.

F.D.

A RACE that will not reach the Guinness Book of Records was held "somewhere in Sinai" last week. It was won by a group of Habadniks who beat some other civilians in being the first to arrive with gifts of scotch/whisky (Hanukkah gelt) to regulars and reservists serving down there. At one base, the local army cook had already used the special rations provided for the traditional dish, having telephoned his wife for her recipe.

The teaching unit at Refidim, manned by young women teachers, included special lessons on Hanukkah in its current six-week course in Hebrew, geography and civics. These courses are for new immigrant soldiers and others whose general knowledge is poor. "They all knew that Hanukkah had something to do with a miracle, but were a bit hazy about the specifics," explained the school coordinator.

At the special Hanukkah party, on base, the candlelight took the form of an enormous cake with apples rising from it to form the menorah. This was the entry prepared for the Hanukkah competition. Others were less edible, such as the one made from an old wooden plough, with half beer bottles arranged upside down along the horizontal beam; and an aesthetic creation made entirely from cartridge cases.

S.L.

DURING Hanukkah, youngsters living in absorption centres around the country became "aliya pen pals" with friends they left behind in their native countries.

The Jewish Agency asked the 900 school-age olim residing in absorption facilities to write to eight children abroad (one for each day of the Festival of Lights) and tell them about life in Israel, adding an invitation to join them here. "Culture coordinators" in each centre explained to the young olim that their efforts would give them an important role in encouraging aliya.

J.S.

A TEL AVIV friend tells us that the following story is now being told around town:

A Moscow Jew was arrested for subversive activities.

During the interrogation he was asked his opinion about the Kremlin's political guide-lines. "Well," he said, "I read an article in 'Pravda' yesterday and agreed with every word of it."

"What about our economic policy?"

"Read last week's 'Izvestia'. I wouldn't delete a single word from what they wrote."

"What about our cultural activities, then?"

The Jew thought for a moment and then said he had read an essay on this subject in "Kulturnaja Vremia" which summed it all up excellently.

"For heaven's sake," said the commissar, "Don't you have any opinions of your own?"

"Oh, yes, I have plenty. But, believe me, I do not identify myself with them!"

F.R.

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2. **PHYSICIAN:** M.D. 1965 — 6 years' specialization pulmonary disease, internal medicine and lung cancer chemo-therapy.
3. **VETERINARIAN:** Doctor of small animal hospital, consultant in animal surgery for human research. Prepared to work with cattle and sheep.
4. **RESEARCH PHARMACIST:** Ph.D. 1966. Fifteen years continuous research and academic activity. Extensively published. Fluent in French and German, some Hebrew.
5. **LAWYER:** BCL-1969. Emphasis on corporate, commercial and real-estate law. Fluent in Hebrew and French.
6. **ENVIRONMENTAL COUNSELLOR:** Juris Doctor 1963. Wide public service in preparation of environmental, ecological and utilities legislation. Experience in general practices including corporate, business litigation, labour and criminal law.
7. **PSYCHOLOGIST:** Ph.D. 1975. Wide experience clinical/counselling psychology, rehabilitation, community mental health, evaluation and assessment.
8. **SOCIAL WORKER:** MSW 1976, B.A. 1974. Psychiatric Social Work. Psychotherapy. Sex education, communications and dysfunctions.
9. **RESEARCH CHEMIST:** Ph.D. 1968. Extensive experience in human cell genetics. Widely published. Fluent in French, some German.
10. **ANTHROPOLOGIST:** Ph.D. 1973. Experienced researcher, typologist and teacher. Widely published.
11. **RESEARCHER WRITER:** M.A. Literature, B.A. English 1974. Skilled in interviewing and observational methods. Effective communicator with teaching, writing and editing experience.
12. **ADMINISTRATOR:** B.S. 1971 in Industrial Psychology. Experienced in the administration and co-ordination of fund raising, political action, public affairs and relations. Planning and organizing of conferences, campaigns, rallies and seminars.
13. **COMMERCIAL ARTIST:** Grade Fashion Institute of Technology 1968. Extensive and diversified experience in all facets of commercial art.
14. **KEY PUNCH OPERATOR:** Infotex, 128, 029, 056 equipment. Verification and card preparation. Some programming, languages and analysis experience. Instruction of trainees.
15. **MUSIC TEACHER AND THERAPIST:** M.A. early Ed. 1960. Varied experience in instrument teaching and music therapy of children ages 2-11. Worked with disturbed and handicapped children.
16. **VETERINARIAN:** D.V.M. 1977 — Diagnosis and control of infectious disease and epidemiology, also animal pathology.
17. **MICROBIOLOGIST:** E.S.C. 1974. Graduate of Institute of Medical Technology. Laboratory experience. Oceanography interests.

Employers interested in interviewing members of the group should contact the Employment Centre for Academics, Foreign Department, Tel. 02-61141, ext. 315, 316, and Tel. 02-50987.

# After crossing the Rubicon

Both Sadat and Begin are statesmen of sufficient stature, writes YEKUTIEL X. FEDERMAN, to lay the foundations of a Middle East Commonwealth that would thwart Soviet designs in the region and turn it into a paradise.

conductors of the concert of hate and frustration in Tripoli. The behind-the-scenes manipulators were the Soviets who, for the past 30 years have fanned Arab hatred into four wars against Israel.

Speaking their lines from the wings, the Russians condemned Sadat's visit as treason to the Arab cause, and cynically — as self-confessed atheists — hailed the Tripoli conference as "the true Arab defence of the will of Allah."

The PLO, which had so carefully been nursing an image of "moderation," erupted with a public vow that "Israel must and will be destroyed."

It must be clear to Sadat, that Egypt is threatened not by Israel, which has no claims against his country, but by Libya.

Why has the Soviet Union supplied Libya with thousands of tanks it cannot man instead of with the ploughshares its people need? Why is the Soviet Union sending experts — not in development, but in warfare — to Iraq, Ethiopia and other African states?

For the past 30 years the USSR has systematically built up a military strategy to threaten Israel, Egypt, Lebanon, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, the Gulf States and Iran. Russia needs the oil fields of the last three because its own reserves will be dangerously low by 1980.

For many years, Egypt was a strategic pawn in this plan of action; but since President Sadat foiled the scheme by throwing the Russians out of his country in 1972, they had to revise their plans, outflanking Egypt from the west and south, through Libya and Africa, and hoping to threaten it from the east as well through an "independent

Palestine."

President Sadat must be fully aware of the fact that while Israel only opposed the Soviet design passively, by defending its existence, he has thwarted it actively. His was an act that the Soviet power-brokers will not forgive.

MOHAMMED ANWAR ES-SADAT, being the statesman that he is, understands this Russian grand design. This, I submit, was in his heart when he decided on his historic flight to Israel.

To create a new defensive link in the region, which is the cradle of civilization and of the three great monotheistic religions and holds the world's major energy reserves.

The sweep of history enjoins the two statesmen, Sadat and Begin, not to dissipate their energies on the question of which side of Hebron the future border is to run but to devote themselves to the greater issue of a new Charter for all the peoples of the Middle East. King Hassan of Morocco saw the advantages of cooperation years ago, when he first mentioned his seemingly ridiculous dream of a new Semitic Economic Commonwealth that would exploit the resources and genius of both the Jewish and Arab peoples of this region.

As Europe created its nine-member Economic Community after the bloodshed of World War II, so too must we think along the lines of a Middle Eastern Economic Community, with a Middle Eastern Parliament and a defence organization such as NATO.

IT IS TIME to think in terms of great new cooperative efforts that could transform the Middle East into a paradise within a single generation.

Universities would train the teachers needed to eliminate illiteracy. Modern medicine would protect the health of our future generations. Rail and road links would push through the blossoming deserts, bringing together people who were previously enemies. The vast resources of the region would be used for the good of its people and all mankind.

A new Marshall Plan would be needed. Not only the U.S., but also Europe, Japan and the OPEC countries could finance it. For the Arab oil states, a prosperous Middle East, with everyone working together in peace for a better future, is the only guarantee against Soviet-backed terrorists, recruited from the ranks of the uneducated and the dissatisfied, who are their "enemies more than they are Israelis."

When the Middle East Charter is put into practice, the parties will have to seek association and eventual integration with the EEC and NATO. We would then strengthen the defensive capacities of our armies, which would no longer fight each other but create a free-world bulwark that eventually extends to Africa and drives out the subversive Soviet military presence there.

ONLY A MONTH ago such momentous changes in the course of history would have been regarded as a mere dream. But President Sadat has seen where the real danger to his country lies. He is not threatened by Israel. His drive through the streets of Jerusalem must have assured him of that. Egypt is threatened from the west, from a Libya ruled by Gaddafi, who is the tool of Soviet imperialism. Egypt would also be threatened by an "independent" Palestine dominated by Russian-backed PLO leaders, whose ambitions would not be satisfied by Israel alone.

President Sadat and Premier Begin know how much is at stake. This is an historic hour and it calls for a grand design, nothing less than a Middle East Charter.

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# FUNDAMENTALISTS VOTE WITH ISRAEL

The United Nations, on October 28, 1977 voted 131-1 to censure Israel. The United States abstained. Israel voted for herself and stood all alone. This spectacle has stirred the hearts of Bible-believing Christians over the world.

We, the undersigned, arise to announce that we vote with Israel.

It is not what men say or the speeches that leaders of the nations make, but the way they vote that counts. Israel maintains and their Prime Minister emphasizes that the territories secured in the Six-Day War were liberated. Israel simply secured that which is properly hers. On the contrary the Arabs called them occupied territory.

The United Nations adopted an Egyptian resolution declaring that Jewish settlements "have no legal validity."

The media generally have spread the Arab position as the truth. The Associated Press in the opening sentence of its story from the United Nations, said, "The General Assembly censured Israel on Friday for establishing Jewish settlements in occupied Arab territories." It could have read, "The General Assembly censured Israel on Friday for establishing Jewish settlements in liberated Jewish territories," or at least it could have reported that this was the matter at issue. The whole case of Israel has been prejudiced and misrepresented, and the United States not only does nothing, but the State Department speaks of "illegal settlements." The mind of the world is being influenced against the Jew.

## The Old Testament

The Old Testament belongs to Jews and Christians alike. Here we learn that the Holy Land is the "Land of Promise" for Israel and the Messiah. We are called fundamentalists because we believe the Bible to be the very Word of God and that it is to be taken literally on its every representation.

The covenants made with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob by Almighty God are not myth or legend. They are binding agreements God made with them and their descendants. These are clear and from God a land grant and divine deed. They are repeated to Isaac and Jacob and throughout the Old Testament.

In Genesis 12:7 we read, "The Lord appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land; and there builded he an altar unto the Lord, who appeared unto him."

In Genesis 17:1, 7, 8, God appeared unto Abraham and said: "I am the Almighty God... I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee and their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee. And I will give unto thee and to thy seed after thee, all the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God."

In Genesis 35:10 God changes Jacob's name, "And God said unto him, Thy name is Jacob: thy name shall not be called any more Jacob, but Israel shall be thy name: and he called his name Israel. And God said unto him, I am God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall be of thee, and kings shall come out of thy loins; and

the land which I gave Abraham and Isaac, to thee I will give it, and to thy seed after thee will I give the land... And Jacob called the name of the place where God spake with him, Bethel."

And thus it was not the state of Jacob but the state of Israel that the 131 nations voted against in the United Nations.

## Debt to Jews

Christians owe the Jews a debt that can never be repaid. The Prophets, the Apostles are Jews. Jesus Christ, the Saviour, is of the seed of David, the seed of Abraham. The Holy Land is sacred. The establishment of the State of Israel, May 14, 1948, recognized immediately by President Truman, the coming of Jewish refugees to their land from Hitler's persecution, and the opening up of all sacred shrines to all people and all religion we believe is a service to all mankind.

When one looks to the Bible, Israel is the olive tree and she has always been (Rom. 11). In front of the Knesset, the Israeli Parliament building, stands the menorah with its seven candlesticks, a gift from Britain. It is the emblem given by God to Moses for the Tabernacle and the Temple. These are seen by the Christian in the Book of the Revelation. The Star of David, the Rose of Sharon, the lily of the valley, the Passover moon, and the Bright Eastern Stars Abraham was asked to number. All have their same meaning today.

The Christian is accounted so close to the Jews. Just before the Six-Day War, the radios from the Arab lands were announcing that on Saturday the Jews would be driven into the sea, the Mediterranean, and on Sunday the Christians would also be dealt with.

## PLO

The Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO) with its terror and determination to destroy Israel, a program of genocide and slaughter, simply cannot be dealt with either by Israel or the United States.

President Carter, who is seen with his Bible on Sunday and for whom millions voted because he was a born-again Christian, now presents an enigma and a disaster. To maintain that it is "illegal" for Israel to develop and inhabit her own country and give comfort in any way to the PLO is just a betrayal. The UN resolution would even take from the Jews their wailing wall.

God has kept the Jews for 2000 years. He is able to do it now. The brilliant victory of the '67 War reads like chapters from Joshua and Judges. They have a military prowess and courage which the free world should heed.

The fear of the loss of Arab oil cannot replace the fear of God. Nor can it be used against the prophecies and purposes of God.

The Bible presents the thrilling record of how God delivered Israel from 400 years of Egyptian bondage, fed them with quail and manna 40 years in the wilderness, and planted them in the land, with each tribe given its portion and promise that it would be theirs. All of this should indeed be known by President Carter and the American people.

Israel's immediate adversary today is not the Canaanites, the Philistines, the Babylonians, the Greeks, and the Romans who destroyed their city in 70 A.D. It is the descendants of Esau, the Palestinians, and the Arabs. The world is back again to Jacob and Esau. Esau is claiming Jacob's land. This makes God's assignment in the Bible to Jacob and

Esau of the greatest importance in their relation and peace.

## House of Esau

But the Book also reveals in detail how God dealt with the house of Esau. His land and his territory was Edom. Petra, Edom rivaled Jerusalem, and Mount Seir was Esau's habitation in contrast to Mt. Zion. This is their land, their heritage. God said: "I have given Mount Seir unto Esau for a possession" (Deut. 2:5). The Bible indicates that Edom is to develop and flourish again. Let it be done. The west bank of the Jordan from the Dead Sea to the Sea of Galilee is only a short distance. To attempt to force a Palestinian state in this narrow area guarantees perpetual conflict. When both the house of Jacob and the house of Esau claim the same land without regard for God's covenant and His past assignment, then God, the God of the Bible, will indeed pronounce His judgment which is even now falling upon mankind.

What sensible man could ever believe that peace is possible without each party recognizing the legitimate rights and the heritage of the other and each party at the same time claiming the same land? Israel is showing the world what can be done southwest of the Dead Sea and beyond Massada. The Palestinians can show the world what also can be done southeast of the Dead Sea. The land is theirs. There are billions of dollars in Arab hands. The money already spent by the United Nations would have developed sizeable cities in what God gave to Esau. The world has the money to purchase the territory if necessary. Peace is worth the price.

The Arab world with its Mohammedan faith and states must also recognize minority religious rights. The Jewish world with its faith and state must recognize religious minority rights.

## Land of Israel

Where are the statesmen who will say to Israel, "Your land is yours; the Bible says so," and will say to the Palestinians and the Arab world, "Here is the land that God gave to your fathers." There is an answer. The Bible indeed points the way.

Genesis 36:8, 9 reads: "Thus dwelt Esau in mount Seir: Esau is Edom. And these are the generations of Esau the father of the Edomites in mount Seir." Genesis 37:1 places Jacob in his land, "And Jacob dwelt in the land wherein his father was a stranger, in the land of Canaan." If both would honor this today, they could have peace.

This is no time for shallow, pious, superficial platitudes. It is time for the United States to end its double talk, stand up in the UN and vote with Israel, and tell the Arab nations that there is plenty of room for a Palestinian state, in Edom if that is what they want.

The Christian has a major responsibility to stand by Israel, to defend her divine right, to vote with her, and to say to the Arab world, "Look at this Book. Here is the glory and the security of the House of Esau, the mountain of Esau."

Christians know that God has promised a blessing to those who honor the faith and the works of Abraham. The Christian world must turn to the Bible. Here we find the plan and guidance so desperately needed to solve this problem and to bring the longed-for peace. Good will and a United States which will stop its vacillating and seek the peace in a reasonable and Biblical way may indeed help all mankind.

Christians cannot stand by and witness the PLO, the Communists, and Islam doing again to the Jews what was done to their land in the first century.

## Message to Israel

Just as Joshua prepared to enter the land to take possession, God told him, "As I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I swore unto their fathers to give them. Only be thou strong and very courageous" (Joshua 1:5-7). This is the message to the one single vote that stood alone before the United Nations on October 28 in defense of their land.

No nation can gainsay the Scriptures and all the prophecies which God has placed there for the future of all mankind. The Bible has the answer.

## GENESIS 17

AND when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect.

2 And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly.

3 And Abram fell on his face: and God talked with him, saying,

4 As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations.

5 Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee.

6 And I will make thee exceedingly fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee.

7 And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee.

8 And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.

## GENESIS 35

9 And God appeared unto Jacob again, when he came out of Padan-aram, and blessed him.

10 And God said unto him, Thy name is Jacob: thy name shall not be called any more Jacob, but Israel shall be thy name: and he called his name Israel.

11 And God said unto him, I am God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall be of thee, and kings shall come out of thy loins.

12 And the land which I gave Abraham and Isaac, to thee I will give it, and to thy seed after thee will I give the land.

13 And God went up from him in the place where he talked with him.

14 And Jacob set up a pillar in the place where he talked with him, even a pillar of stone; and he poured a drink offering thereon, and he poured oil thereon.

15 And Jacob called the name of the place where God spake with him, Beth-el.

## DEUTERONOMY 2

1 THEN we turned, and took our journey into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea, as the Lord spake unto me; and we compassed mount Seir many days.

2 And the Lord spake unto me, saying,

3 Ye have compassed this mountain long enough: turn you northward.

4 And command thou the people, saying, Ye are to pass through the coast of your brethren the children of Esau, which dwell in Seir; and they shall be afraid of you: take ye good heed unto yourselves therefore.

5 Middle not with them; for I will not give you of their land, no, not so much as a foot breadth; because I have given mount Seir unto Esau for a possession.

6 Ye shall buy meat of them for money, that ye may eat; and ye shall also buy water of them for money, that ye may drink.

7 For the Lord thy God hath blessed thee in all the works of thy hand; he knoweth thy walking through this great wilderness: these forty years the Lord thy God hath been with thee; thou hast lacked nothing.

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# IVIV STOCKS 1 day as investors t for trend to emerge

TV. — Trading was fairly hot in the stock market yesterday, with "quick fortunes" and long-range serious waiting for a trend to emerge in a newspaper yesterday, the indications pointed to a drop in prices, did little to a wave of enthusiasm for the hope of rising prices. A country, unlike in the U.S., the "selling short" has developed. (By "selling" one person promises to a second one, at a future date, to sell the stock at a price below the current price. The first person hopes the stock will drop much more than the second party has to pay — so shortly before the date he can pick them up and make a little fortune. If a meanwhile, he will lose a "time.")

Investors in stocks were down to one of the lowest figures in the market since the turn of the year (in 1976, the turn of the year was 11.50.2m.). The market was mixed, with land development, investment companies, and mortgage banks and firms. In the quiet, there were the fluctuations in both directions.

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## LL STREET transmission difficulties last night, the closing prices of Wall t stocks were not received.

Jerusalem's '14' operators end day strike

Jerusalem's striking telephone operators (dial "14") returned to work yesterday. Operators walked out on December 17 when the Ministry of Communications installed a new automated computer readout of the directory system, demanding a wage increase and a change in the operators' work schedule.

Operators agreed that there would be no change in the rate of hours they work but that regular second half-hour break now be taken at the end of the shift. It was agreed that this agreement was temporary pending recommendations of the Ministry of Communications which was by the Civil Service to look at operators' work schedule.

## Key-money rent ceilings up

The maximum rent that can be levied from tenants who live in flats for which they paid key money was raised yesterday by 85 per cent.

The price ceiling set after the raising of key money for a one-bedroom flat, up to IL24.50 per room per month; in two to two-and-a-half room flats, up to IL24.40 per room per month; and for flats of four rooms or more up to IL207.54 per room.

## Gov't won't save T.A. central bus station

The ministers of Finance, Justice, and Transport and Communications yesterday reversed a decision of the former Labour government to take over the Tel Aviv Kikar Levinsky central bus station company to ensure construction of the central transport facility.

Construction of the central bus station, which was planned to be a shopping centre as well, stopped more than a year ago after the Kikar Levinsky company — a partnership between contractor Arye Pila, Reginald and Solid Bonnah — ran into serious financial difficulties. The Labour government, at the demand of the Likud-led Tel Aviv municipality, had planned to take over the company to expedite the completion of the bus station as a government-owned project.

By ruling that the court liquidation procedures for the Kikar Levinsky company should not be stopped by saving the company, or by other measures, the three ministers ruled out government aid for the bus station project, which has been dubbed "Tel Aviv's white elephant."

## A NEW SCHOOL for girls aged 14 to 17 who cannot be absorbed in any regular educational institution was opened yesterday in the Sharon town of Or Yehuda. The 12 girls now in the school are taught clerical work, sewing, and arts and crafts.

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# Banks reduce some of their profit margins

By SHLOMO MAOZ  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The banks have agreed to reduce their profit margin on foreign currency deals, and as of Sunday their services will be cheaper. Examiners of Banks Oded Messer told the Knesset Finance Committee yesterday. The committee was discussing complaints by the public that the banks charged customers twice — once when they deposited and the second time when they withdrew money from their accounts.

From Sunday the banks will not charge commission on foreign currency deals of up to \$1,000. They will also reduce the difference between the buying and selling rates for cheques and transfers, which is now 0.8-0.75 per cent. On the other hand, however, the banks will not narrow the difference in rates on banknotes, which is now 1.1-1.5 per cent. The banks claim they have expenses handling foreign currency transactions and that they cannot reduce the difference.

There can be no doubt that pressure by the public and the news media contributed to achieving these reduced rates.

## New car sales down by half

New car sales have decreased by about 50% since the implementation of the NEP. Of current buyers, the industry reports, only 10 per cent are ordinary private purchasers. A full 90 per cent of sales are to individuals who are free of tax, with the balance of sales going to companies. The prices of used cars, following rises in the price of new cars, have gone up by 15 per cent or more.

## Grocers complain of profit squeeze

Jerusalem's 300 grocers got together earlier this week for an emergency meeting, claiming that the New Economic Policy will lead to a "collapse of the branch."

Their complaint is that recent price increases have reduced their profit margins on all basic products. In the past, they said, margins had been increased in line with price rises, while now their suppliers have cut the credits they used to extend and thereby squeezed their profit margins.

The grocers elected a new committee which will promptly ask for a meeting with the Minister of Industry, Commerce and Tourism, to ask for measures to redress the situation.

## Never too late to give to Toy Fund

MAILBAGS ARE STILL running heavy for the 29th drive of the Jerusalem Toy Fund. Yesterday we had IL4,468 in, which brings the total so far to IL31,202.

Contributions from children in the U.S. attending synagogue are a lot higher these past few years. And more and more of them have joined the ranks of Toy Fund givers. Their gifts are really just starting to come in, as many of them run their own drives during Hanukkah. There are those, though, that raised their money for the Jerusalem Toy Fund during the summer, so that their contributions have been in almost as soon as we got our drive started. Today's list has a number of them again.

Your gift is not too late. Just see to it that it gets off to us as quickly as possible now. It is easy to contribute. If you are sending it by mail just address it to: The Jerusalem Toy Fund, P.O.B. 81, Jerusalem. If you wish to bring it in person, go to our town office, Rehov Aristobolus (just up from Cafe Alaska) or to the cashier at the Jerusalem Plaza Hotel. In Tel Aviv: The Jerusalem Post branch office at 11 Rehov Carlebach. In Haifa: The Jerusalem Post branch office at 34 Rehov Herzl or the Hahatzer Passages.

Yesterday's list includes:

- \$200 Temple Emanuel Religious School Charity Fund, Newton Center, Mass.
- \$50 Congregation Beth El, Rabbi Jonas Goldberg, Norwalk, Conn., Ill.
- \$50 St. Louis, Chicago, Ill.
- \$35 In honour of our beloved grandchildren, Miriam and Shalom Ben-Dor, and hoping that the peace initiative started by Sadat and Begin will continue so that they and theirs can live in peace — Saydie and Sabia Melstreich, Malverne, N.Y.
- \$30 From the Children of Temple Israel Religious School, Valparaiso, Indiana.
- \$20 On behalf of our daughter Amira and our son Dory and in honour of the birth of his namesake, Dory Adam Brown, Calvin and Judith Leifer, Wyncote, Pa.

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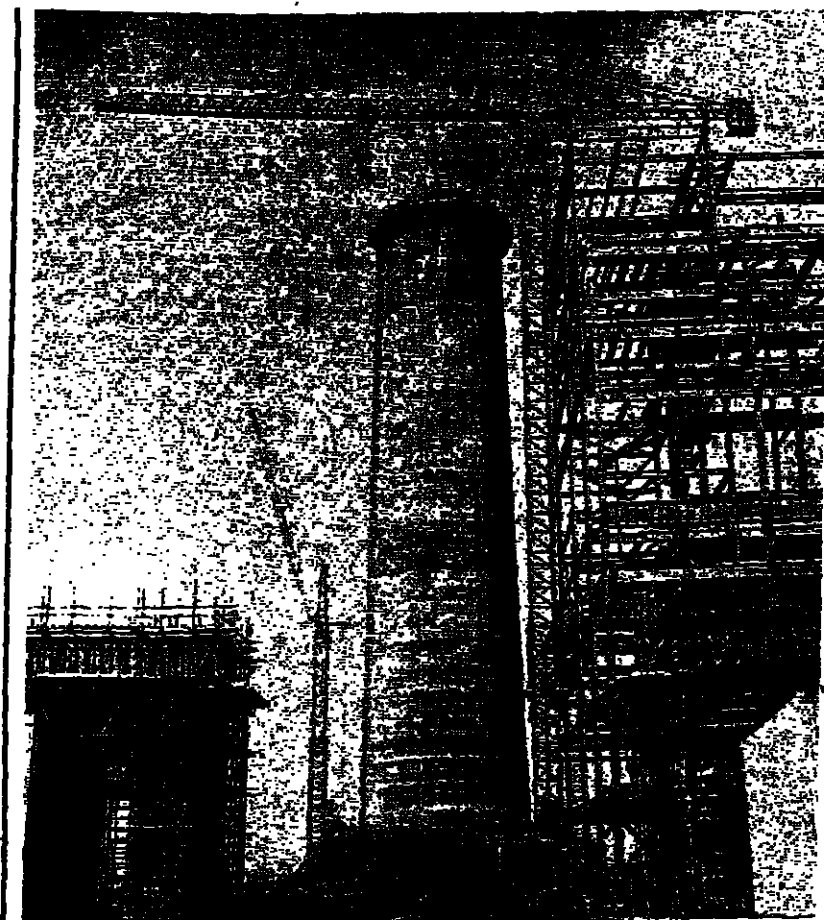
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# Children's diets not affected by rising food prices, survey shows

By MACAREE DEAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The constant rise in food prices has not affected the eating habits of Israel's children. This emerges from a survey carried out by Drs. H. Palti, R. Heiman, B. Adler and A. Reahet, of the Department of Social Medicine of the Hebrew University, Hadassah Medical School, and the Nutrition Division of the Health Ministry. The survey was published in the latest issue of "Harefuah," the organ of the Israel Medical Association.

The authors believe that the survey, carried out among two groups of toddlers in the Kiryat Yovel quarter of Jerusalem, is applicable to the rest of the country. However, they note that further increases in food prices may have a detrimental effect.

However, if anything, the survey shows that despite the rise in the cost of food, the kids ate better when the prices were high, than when they were low. This is explained partially by the fact that wages kept pace, more or less, with higher prices.

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## A good start

"THIS SORT OF conference is not for the nervous or the impatient," an Israeli official is said to have commented at the end of the first day of what is billed as a preparatory meeting for the Geneva peace parley.

The maxim is well worth keeping in mind — not only by the direct participants, but by distant observers as well. The road to be travelled by the negotiators is bound to be long, despite the sincerest efforts to make it as short as possible. There will be hurdles and obstacles that could tax all the resources of statesmanship.

And while the journey to peace may be punctuated, even overshadowed, by sudden dramatic events — such as the current mystery trip of Prime Minister Begin to Washington — most of it is likely to be quite uneventful.

What matters is only that progress be made towards the ultimate goal. The first indications from Cairo are that the Egyptian and Israeli parties are both determinedly making progress, and with all deliberate speed. This is shown by the very fact that the delegates, who are already on first name terms, are coming vigorously to grips with the issues that have inevitably come to the fore.

On the face of it, it is ironic that these issues should be procedural. For it was the very purpose of President Sadat's initiative to sidestep the mountain of procedure that seemed to threaten a settlement, by getting right down to the brass tacks of substance.

As Mr. Sadat confirmed to Mr. Dayan during a discussion in Jerusalem, he was not so much interested in "papers" as in "working." Yet it is just procedural working papers that the Cairo conference is concerned with at the moment.

To be sure, this is in character with the kind of meeting that Mr. Sadat chose to convene. But it also confirms the nature of the normal negotiating process. It would have been an illusion to assume that procedure can be wholly dispensed with. Sometime before a peace agreement is concluded, a peace agenda must be drawn up — and it is this agenda that determines, in advance, the relative weight accorded to the various elements of an agreement.

For historical reasons, Egypt and Israel have widely divergent views on what really constitutes peace. But with good will on both sides, the gulf may be bridged, so that procedure will fall into its rightful, subordinate place. Thus, instead of dealing in succession with several controversial topics, the conference could decide to treat them simultaneously, so that the question of precedence would not arise.

Good will is abundantly in evidence in Cairo now, and the prospects are therefore pleasing, even though they remain uncertain. Once the present stumbling blocks are removed, the way would be opened for more substantive talks — presumably at a higher level.

It is at a higher level that two statements have meantime been made that bode well for the future. One was Egyptian War Minister Gamasy's concession that Israel's return to the armistice line in the east would be a "complicated" matter. The other was President Carter's remark that the PLO had now removed itself from "immediate participation" in peace-making.

Although Israelis might have welcomed a somewhat bolder phraseology from both leaders, they should be prepared to call these remarks, too, progress.

## Rewarding the taxmen

THE LABOUR movement is, quite rightly, outraged that the Treasury does not manage to extract more tax money from the self-employed. Yet the chief reason currently holding the Treasury back from making a better effort in this direction is the labour movement itself.

Not so much the Histadrut, in its official capacity; but rather the works committees in individual government departments. Over a year ago they leagued themselves into two groups, the "specifics," in departments that claimed a "specific" right to a higher wage, and the "non-specifics," who were the rest.

The demand for a higher wage had started in the Treasury's Internal Revenue Department. Immediately, several other agencies jumped on the bandwagon — notably the National Insurance Institute and the Communications Ministry. Before long the specifics amounted to one-third of the civil service. Not surprisingly, the other two-thirds indignantly asked for parity.

Yet there is a problem here which cries out for a solution. The Ben-Shahar tax reform in 1975 obligates all the self-employed to submit an annual tax return. This brusquely stepped up the number of reports put in from 25,000 to 150,000.

As a result, the demand for auditors and accountants grew in the private market; and their wages have risen. They now earn two and three times more than members of the same occupation in the Treasury.

After the revenue department's bid for a wage hike failed, owing to this opposition from their colleagues in the public employ, there was a wave of resignations from among able persons holding responsible positions in the Treasury.

The civil servants at large might not have felt so slighted if the proposal had been confined to an increase in wages for those specialists who qualify for it. But the rise was claimed for everybody in the revenue service, including typists and cleaning workers.

Now, if a typist in the Treasury building in Jerusalem gets a rise, why not a typist in the adjoining building, which houses the Labour, Interior and other equally deserving Ministries?

The issue should therefore be re-phrased — and by the Treasury itself. Would the Civil Servants Union — the accredited Histadrut organization — agree to an upward wage adjustment for those specialist occupations (and they are concentrated mainly in the fiscal area) which not only demand high levels of education but are also grievously starved of applicants?

Collecting taxes is an essential occupation. Any money invested in this by the community would be regained several times over, through increased state revenue and a more equitable distribution of the fiscal burden. The Civil Servants Union must surely accept a widening of this particular wage differential.

## Appeal for Help

A few months ago, Jerusalem lost one of her most praiseworthy citizens, a modest man of high ideals who devoted all his days to the work of the Almighty. He was never asleep by midnight, and despite his poverty spent his whole life in the study of the Torah and prayer. He has now passed away, leaving a sorrowing widow who is unwell, and orphans. They are in very reduced circumstances, with no legacy. Without dwelling on the merits of the family, we may say that they are suffering considerably. Accordingly, we appeal to our brothers to come to the aid of this family. We ask that each give according to his means, in order to rehabilitate the family and help them recover from their present unhappy state. Needless to say, those who fulfil the precept of giving charity and help save these souls will be performing a great mitzva. May the blessings of the Almighty be on those who perform this great mitzva.

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# THE TOUGH TALK BEHIND THE SMILES

CAIRO. — With the Cairo conference meeting for their first formal "working session" here Thursday — still without any agreed agenda — it was learned from inside sources on both sides that there is a good deal of tough talking, and very little concrete progress, behind the determinedly wide smiles of the delegates.

The absence of agreement on an agenda, though ostensibly a "procedural" issue, is of course a reflection of significant divergences of a severely "substantive" nature. Basically, Israeli and Egyptian sources revealed privately, the disagreements revolve around two issues: the Palestinian question and the territorial question. Egypt wants both these specific-

Both the Israeli and the Egyptian delegations to the Cairo conference are determined to make the talks a success, thus

paving the way to substantive discussions at higher levels, reports Diplomatic Correspondent DAVID LANDAU.

ly and prominently featured in the conference agenda. Israel wants the agenda to concentrate on "the nature of the peace" — the legal components of a projected treaty — leaving the territorial question to another, higher forum, and the Palestinian question to talks sometime later with the participation of what Ben-Ellasar returned to in his opening address as "an appropriate representation of Palestinian Arabs."

Coupled with this underlying disagreement over the terms of the conference is a pervasive desire on the part of both sides to maintain the impression of movement, the facade of progress — to ward off any hint of failure or deadlock. Both countries have an overriding interest in the ultimate success of this conference, for it is clear that deadlock here would stymie any hopes of progress in any other covert or overt negotiations of higher levels that seem to be underway elsewhere.

Hence the walkaround — on both sides — is "keep cool and keep talking." Whatever the disputes, and they are already tough and likely to get tougher, the two principal delegations appear to have established a common resolve not to get flustered, to avoid unnecessary verbal altercations, and to return again and again to awkward problems, each time from a different angle, in an effort to overcome them.

Egyptian assertions in "natural" for the host country as chairman throughout. Is not see it this way and has ting up stiff resistance to this contention.

But the impression is that stand is mainly for posture poses, and that it will prove to be flexible.

It is less easy, however, to shape of an eventual compromise the key question of the agenda. Egypt is obviously ed to demonstrate its strength that is, the sincerity of its deal. Hence Egyptian action to press for the promulgation of the Palestinian issue the immediate question of ratification at Geneva and the question of a political not high on the conference agenda.

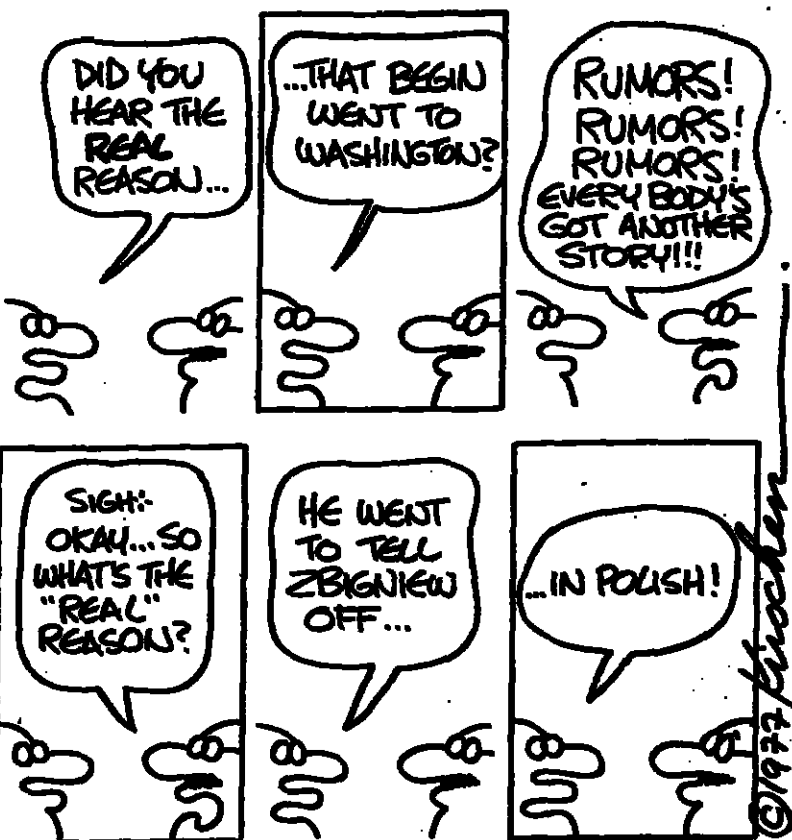
Similarly, Egypt is pressing the territorial problem to prominence — with the string being on withdrawal on ever not merely in Sinai.

In this demand there is a gr of disingenuousness. Maguid knows as well as Elissar that this is neither the nor the time at which the vit of real estate will be fought. Such a comment, that left to higher echelons (perhaps highest) to deal with in the comfortable secrecy of some buffer-zone site.

But for Egypt here, delicate problems of Arab disapproval, it is important principle of Israeli withdrawal fronts be embodied in the agenda. This conference in addition that Cairo has not been taken all-Arab interests.

POSSIBLY the breakthrough agenda issue will come over weekend, when the once goes ostensibly into a day recess (to satisfy every sensibility), and the newsmen off from Mens House to the sights in Cairo and the air. A more quiet and less atmosphere may then prevail — and Ben-Ellasar and Maguid find the moment opportune for constructive exchange of ceptions, so that next week this conference can move ab the basis of an agreed agenda.

## Dry Bones



## READERS' LETTERS

### CURRENCY CONTROLS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The present Minister of Finance, Mr. Simha Eshkol, who occasionally praises his predecessors, recently repeated his erroneous statement that the first Minister of Finance, the late eminent Elissar Kaplan, instituted a system of foreign currency controls when there was no foreign currency (December 2).

The truth is that Mr. Kaplan inherited the nine-year-old foreign currency controls from the British Government, which clamped down strict supervision of foreign exchange in all its territories, including British Mandatory Palestine, at the beginning of World War II in September 1939.

The foreign currency reserves at the disposal of Mr. Kaplan, which in-

cluded massive, but blocked, sterling accounts in London, were luckily far from negligible, although insufficient to cover the tremendous needs of financing the War of Independence and the ensuing mass immigration.

Nobody at that time thought of abolishing foreign currency control. When Mr. Kaplan's successor, the late Levi Eshkol, finally asked former governor of the Bank of Israel, David Horowitz, in 1964 to chair a committee of experts (of which I was a member) to advise him about a possible, gradual easing of these restrictions, only a small minority of the members advocated a very modest relaxation of some restrictions.

Ramat Gan.

J. VOET

### HARASSMENT AT AIRPORT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In defence of basic human rights, I feel compelled to voice my strong opposition to the treatment Arabs receive at Ben-Gurion Airport.

Under the justification of security needs, Arabs are selected on arrival and put into separate lines, subjected to multiple, redundant and mail-paced questioning sessions and searches. This treatment can last well over two hours and, needless to say, can be a major inconvenience to the travellers and their waiting relatives. On my current trip, this treatment made me miss my father's funeral for which I had come from abroad.

Please understand that I am not opposed to whatever legitimate security measures may be needed, but the current procedures at the airport seem to be designed more for harassment of Arabs than for security.

ZOHAR ASSAL  
Haifa (Evanston, Illinois).

### THE REDER MUSEUM

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Congratulations to Gili Goldfine for pointing out (December 2) how superfluous the Reder Museum is when, in the field of art (as in so many other fields), we lack funds to acquire or show far more important works. How many visitors can be expected at such a museum? Probably not enough to even cover current expenses.

Jerusalem.

M. BENNIGLIO

### TV PROGRAMMING

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — We are certainly happy that Israel TV is bringing us a fine production like "Jennie." But we are very disappointed that it is being broadcast on Friday night, which is a fair to give us enjoyable programmes during the week while depriving Sabbath observers of the pleasure of viewing a really high-class film like "Jennie." Must *Shabbat* — the desecration of the Sabbath — be rewarded with extra-fine film programmes?

YITZHAK AND LEAH GREENFIELD  
Ramat Gan.

### LABOUR DISPUTES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Generally speaking, media reports in the area of labour-management relations have consistently described pay disputes in broad, meaningless rhetoric, obfuscating information upon which the general public can crystallise an informed opinion as to the justice or injustice of the pay demands and the reluctance (if any) on the part of management to meet just demands.

The public should be informed about the prevailing pay in each area of activity where there is a pay dispute — and not necessarily the highest or lowest pay — so that it may judge the propriety of the demands and of management's position and whether the demands will result in a rip-off on the public. After all, in the final analysis, it is the public that will be called upon to bear the brunt of the results, whether in increased costs, diminution of services, or other undue hardship.

Tel Aviv. HARRY H. BUCKER

### Mr. BEGIN'S SUCCESSFUL TRIPS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Prime Minister Begin's trip to Britain appears to have been successful — according not only to Israeli officials, but also to British officials.

When Mr. Begin first went to the U.S., the political opposition was doubtful whether he would be successful on account of his rigid views on territorial compromise. His critics proved wrong, for he created a very favourable impression on the American President and officials in general.

His next trip, to Rumania, appears also to have been a success.

Then there is the good relationship Mr. Begin has now established with the unpredictable Sadat and the consequent improvement in relations with Egypt.

There was a time when our international relations seemed to deteriorate instead of improve every time we sent our emissaries abroad. Not so under the leadership of Mr. Begin, whose ability to create an atmosphere of goodwill and an aura of friendship has now been proved.

Mr. Begin likes people, and, though very religious himself, does not have the tribal outlook which makes the average Israeli so unpopular.

H. LIEBSON  
Ra'anana.

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